

B R I E F E

Introductions , both natu-
rall, pleasant, and delectable
vnto the arte of *Chiromancy*,
or *Manuell Diuination*, and
Phisiognomy: with circumsta-
ces upon the faces of the Signes.
Also certaine Canons or rules
upon diseases and Sicknesse.

Whereunto is also annexed as-
well the artificiall, as naturall
Astrologic, with the na-
ture of the Planets .

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To the gentle Reader.



T was the vse amongst the aunciente Philosophers (most gentle reader) that they neuer admitted or received anye scholler, vnto whom they did not indict and appoint a certaine tyme to heare and keepe silence: willing them in no wise for to speake, vntill that by hearing they had learned to speake wisely and discretly. Whose example being present in my minde, and also the rash and timeratiouſe iudgments of many conuersant before my eyes: I thought it good to admonish you, that following the exāple aforesayd, to beſtow ſome labour and time in peruſing and

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reading this briefe worke of
Chiromancie, or manuell Diui-
nation , before you enter into
iudgement of any effect or cer-
taintie of the same. The thing
if thou diligently and attentiue-
ly doe: I doubt not but that be-
side the great pleasure and de-
lection thou shalt finde there-
in, that thou shalt in likewyse
reape and gather no lesse good
fruite and profite thereof. For
hereby thou shalt perceiue and
see the secret workes of nature,
how aptly & necessarily she hath
cōpound and knitt ech member
with other: giuing vnto the hād
(as vnto a table) certain signes &
tokens whereby to discerne and
knowe the inward motion and
affections of the mind and heart,
with the inwarde state of the
whole

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whole bodye: as also our inclination and aptnes to all our externall actions and doings. For what more profitable thing may be supposed or thought , then when a man in himselfe , maye foresee and knowe his proper and fatall accidentes : and thererby to imbrace and followe that which is good, and to auoyde and eschew the euills which are imminent vnto him, for the better vnderstanding and knoweledge thereof. And for as much as the *Chiromancy* vnto some peradventure maye seeme obscure and darke: we haue annexed hervnto an Epiloge or briefe collection of the Arte of Phisiognomy and circumstances vpon the Faces of the Signes, with certain Cannons or rules, aswell for the

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knowledge, as also for the curing and helping of diseases, verie necessary and profitable. The orderlye comming vnto Astrology, we haue described vnto you aswell by the artificiall Horoscope, as also by the naturall entring of the Sunne into anye of the xii. celestial signes: the whole effect and power that any of the Planets and eraticall Starrs may by anye meanes woorke in vs. Wherby hauing recourse first vnto the hande, and marking and noting such signes and tokens as therein shall appeare, then beholding the proportion and liniamenti of the whole body, and according to the prescript rules to way and consider the equalitie & agreablenes betweene them, with like respect had

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had vnto the nativity, iudging ei-
ther by the artificiall Horoscope
or by the Naturall course of the
Sunne: thou shalt not only see and
perceiue a great necessarie and
affinitie between our terrestriall
and the celestiall bodies, but also
foresee and knowe a M. acci-
dents eyther to good or euylf
prouided vnto vs, and hanging
ouer our head. But least that
anye manie shoulde thinke that
hereby wee attribute so muche
vnto naturall prouidence, as
though it were ineuitable, and
thereby use it as a refuge or sanc-
tuarie, for all their euill actions
and doings. Vnto such we wil
obje~~c~~t the answere of *Crisippus*,
writing in this maner. Although
(saith hee) that nature hath pro-
uided all things from the begin-
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ning, and that by her prouidence
all things are moued and stirred
vp by a certaine necessary reason
and motion: yet notwithstanding
our dispositions and mindes are
no further subiect or in danger
therof, then their proprietie and
quality is cōcordant & agreeable
vnto the same. For if that by
nature our wittes be first made
wholsome and good, and after
endued with reason and vn-
derstanding: either they do vt-
terly put off and auoyd all euill
influences and accidents, or else
receiue & beare them the more
easily without hurt or damage.
If contrariwise our dispositions
of themselves be rude and grosse
not endued with anye kinde of
letters or good learning to assist
and helpe them withall: with e-
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uerye light conflict or assault of our naturall inclination, we run headlong into all kinde of errors and vice. Euen followinge the ensample of the *Cilinder* stone, which by Nature beyng apt to roule and tumble , and beyng caste or throwen downe into hollowe or steepe places: doth runne without ceasing , not so much because it is cast or throwen , as for his owne Nature and aptnes thereunto , and not hauing in it selfe anye thinge to withstande the same. The author himselfe in like maner foreseeing the cauilliations of certain euill disposed persons which would make all thinges subiect vnto the influences of the heauenly bodies: before hee entred to speke of the iudgments of natiuities, wri-

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writeth in this sort. we ought
(sayth hee) first to knowe and
vnderstande that the starres doe
not prouoke or force vs to any
thinge , but onelye maketh vs
apt and prone : and being so
disposed , doth as it were allure
and drawe vs forwarde to our
Naturall inclination . In the
which wee followe the rule of
reason , takinge it to bee our
onelye guide and gouernour:
they loose all their force , po-
wer, and effect , which they
by anye meanes maye haue in
and vpon vs. Contrariwise,
if wee giue our selues ouer to
followe our owne sensualitie
and Naturall disposition , they
woorke eu'en the same effecte
in vs that they do in brute beasts.

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And this shalbee suffitient at this
time to aunswere the vaine ob-
iection of naturall prouidence,
whereby the fruite of this worke
might by any meane seeme to be
cōuerted into any vice or error,
the which in deede of it selfe is
verye necessarie and profitable.
What shoulde I neede to stande
about with long circumstancies
to describe the perticuler com-
modities of these briefe workes
annexed together : when that
the labour is so small, that with
once or twice diligent and atten-
tive reading, the whole effect is
knowen and vnderstoode. Not-
withstanding, I woulde wishe
and desire that all menne which
shall reade or take anye fruite of
this smal treatise, to vse such mo-
deration in perusing of the same,
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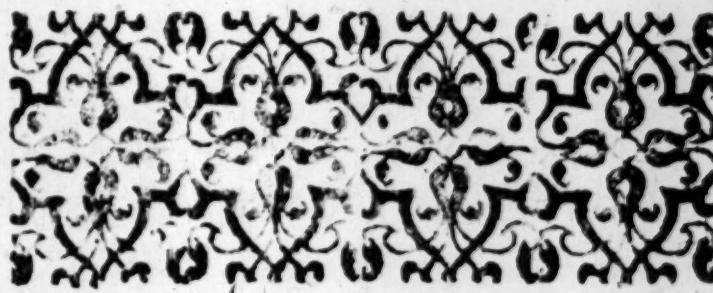
that they doe not by and by take
in hande to giue iudgment, ey-
ther of their owne, or of other
mens estates or Natiuities, with-
out diligent circumspection and
taking heed. Waying and con-
sidering howe manye wayes a
man maye bee deceiued, as by
the prouidence and discretion
of the man in whome thou gi-
uest iudgment. Also the dispen-
sation of God, and our fallible &
vncertayne speculation.

Wherfore, let all men in seking
hereby to foresee their own for-
tune, take heed that by the pro-
mise of good, they be not so e-
late or high minded, giuing them
selues ouer to osiuicie or idlenes,
trusting altogether to the natural
influences, neyther yet by anye
signes

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Signe or tokens of aduerſtie to
be direct or cast downe: but to
take and way all things with ſuch
equalitie and moderation, direc-
ting their ſtate of life & liuing to
all perfectnes & goodnes; that
they may be ready to embrace &
followe all that which is good &
profitable, and alſo not onely to
elchew and auoide: but to with-
ſtand and ſet at naught all euil
and aduerſe fortune, when
ſocuer it may happen or
chaunce vnto them.

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The Booke of Palmestry.
The first Chapter of:be
distinction of the
Hand.



He Auntient
Greeks, who
(as it may ap
peare by the
long & old vse
of the worde)
did vse thys
sort and kind
of Divinatio

which is gathered by the beholding of
mans hand, called it by this proper name
of Chyromancia. Wherefore, I inten
ding to write the rules and obseruations
thereof, doe thinke it necessary & mette
first of all to describe the hand of man, &
paynt out and set forth his parts, where
by such rules and preceptes as shalbe gi
uen upon this manuell Divination: may
the more easilly be understood & knownen.
The hand therefore being extended or o
pened abroad, the playne within is called

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the palme, in the middell whereof there
is a certayne space called the concave or
hollownesse, out of the whiche the ffeue
fingers haue their originall and begin-
ning. Amongst the whiche, the first bee-
yng the strongest and made grosse, is
called the Thomb: the next is called the
Index or forefinger, because in the wyng
or poynting to anye thinge, we doe com-
monly use that finger. The next that fol-
loweth and is in the middest of the syue,
is by hysame name called the middle fin-
ger: next after this, is the ringe finger:
so called, because it is comonly to weare
a ringe of Golde vpon it, and specially
that on the leste haade, soz because as
learned men holde opinion, there dothe
passe a certayne small stanswe from that
finger to the hart of man. Wherfore it se-
med good in times past to the antiqui-
tie, to weare a ringe as a Crowne vpon
that finger, or else as some doe suppose,
that Gouldre by nature dothe comforte
the heart. The laste finger and laste of
all, is called the eare finger, because it
is commonely vsed to make cleane the
eares.

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tares. And thus far concerning the fingers. Moreover, the hande being closed or shut with the fingers turned in, wee call the fiste, the nether part whereof (amongst such as use this Arte,) is com- monly called the percusion or stroke of the hand. Then the place where the hand is drawn and gathered in, and ioyned to the Arme, is also called the wreste. Furthermore, every finger hath his pro- pertising or swalling of the flesh, which doth rise at the root or nether part of the saide fingers, and of some is called hills, and are attributed unto the names of the Planets. Amonge the whiche is reckoned the rysing or hill in the nether part of the fiste, called the percusion of the hande, so that in the hande are limited and appoynted seuerall places unto eue-
ry of the Planettes, whereby iudges-
mente may bee gathered. As the ri-
sing or hill of the Thonne is assigned
Venus, and marked with this carecter
♀, the hill of the fore finger to Jupiter,
and is thus noted ♀, the middle finger
is attribute to Saturne, with this note ♂.

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the Ringe finger is the Sunne, with this character ☽, the hill of the litile or eare finger is vnder Mercury , with thys marke ♀, the rising or hill which is in the percussion, the Moone, doth possesse, and is thus figured ♪. Now what place Mars shall haue we will shew you hereafter, but first we will make description of the incisions and diuisions of the hand which wee call the lines . Amongest the which these be chiese and principall, the wreathe which deuideth the hand from the arme, and is almost ioyned to the line of life, or of the heart, the whiche beginneth vnder the hill of the foreshinger, as it were betwene the foreshinger and the thombe , and doth deuide the hande stretchinge downeward towarde the wrest. In the same side of the hande at the hill of the foreshynger, beginneth a lyne which passeth ouerthwart the hande to the hill of the Moone, and is called the middle or meane naturall line. And these two lines thus beginninge and passinge sundrye wayes, make the forme and shape of a Triangle. To the which, if the line of
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the Lyuer or Stomacke, which begyneth ouer against the w^est, and passeth vnder the hill of the thonne, to the hill of the Moone, by the end of the middle naturall lyne, do^e appere, as insome it do^th not, it finylsheth the Triangle. And the space conteyned within these lynes, is attribute and giuen unto Mars, and is called the Triangle of Mars, noted with this figure ⋆. There is also another lyne, called the table lyne beginning vnder the eare synger, at the end of the hill of the Moone, and runneth to the foze-synger, and is so called, because the space betwene it and the middle o^r meane naturall, do^th argue o^r shewe the fashion of a Table , and that space is always called the table quadrangle of the hand and the lyne i^s also called the line of fortune. And these be almost the chiefe diuisions o^r lynes of the hande, to the which all other lesse and smaller incissons and lynes are referred. But now as neare as we can we will describe them all, and as farre as pertaineth to this Arte, shewe their nature and signification. And first

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I thinke meete to speake of those lines
which take their denomination or name
of the thre p̄incipall members of mans
body, that is, of the heart, the Braine,
and the Lyuer. For as in those parts,
whatsoeuer is in man is altered and
changed: so by these three incissons
and lines, a man may foresee and pro-
nosticate what so euer shall happen,
touchinge health, or aduersite, or o-
ther thinges naturall. The which if any
man thinke to bee vaine and triflyng let
him call to remembrance the auient
Philosophers of Pythagoras secte, who
christyfe by the proportion & lineamentes
of mans bodye, did declare and pro-
nosticate the manners, state, and ende of
mans lyfe. For what is sayde of So-
craes, when that a certaine man profes-
sing the Arte of Phisiognomie, or spe-
culation: behoulding Socrates, iudged
him by his outward habite to be a very
euyll manne, of uncleane life, libidinous
and giuen to all euill, was therfore won-
dersfullye rebuked of his Schollers, as
though hee had shamefullye slandered
him

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him. Socrates answered, that in dede
naturallly hee felte such motions and in-
clinations; so that if hee hadde not cor-
rected his wyces of this nature by the ru-
les of reason, hee had beene such a one as
hee hadde pronounced hym to bee: mea-
ning thereby all those wyces, which na-
ture and destinate hathe planted in vs,
maye easilye by reason and custome be
amended, if we will sterte agaynst desi-
nye. And the Prynce of the Paripete-
cians Aristotle, sayde the hande of
manne to bee made of Nature, & he prin-
cipall organe and instrument in mannes
bodye. For whence it is his office to mi-
nister and serue all other partes of the
bodye, and that in humaine generation,
the vertues, powers, and strenght, of
all members do come together. It is ve-
rye consequente and agreeable, so ne cer-
taine signes and tokenes of the qua-
litie and complexion of man, to be kno-
wen and perceaved by the hande.

Suche is the proporcione of members
amonge themselues, that they do partake
one wyth another in all thinges. And

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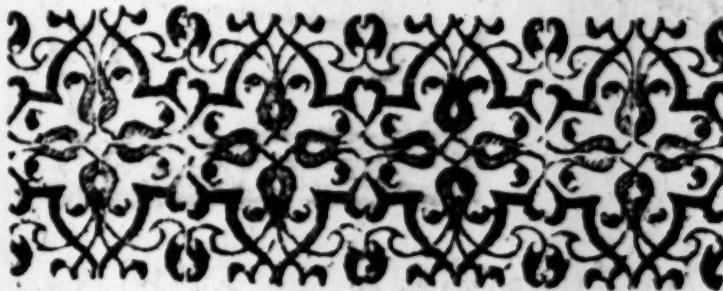
further, that this Acte of Chyromancie
was vsed in the tyme of Plinie, hee hym
selfe doth affirme. Not withstanding I
take it to bre my dutty to admonishe you
what you ought to attribute to this arte,
& what is else to be ioyned with it, least
any man should chynke to include or shut
up the knowledge of so high and greate
things into so straignt and narrowe co-
ners. Wherfore what I iudge herein
I thinke good to shewe. As often as I
must answere to any that enquireth, by
and by as is accustomed, I looke vpon the
hand and therewithall behold the whole
bodye, with the lyneamentes, and pro-
portion of the same, which is called his
Phisiognomie, (whereof in the booke fol-
lowing I will entreate) then I cast my
minde to the houre of Nativity, moneth,
day, or yeare: the which knownen, I re-
ferre strait to the rules of naturall Astro-
logye hereafter by mee written, then
plainely iudging none of these by them-
selues sufficient. And thinking it bette
to iudge them fooles in giveng lighe cre-
dit, then I to bee counted rash and so-
lishe

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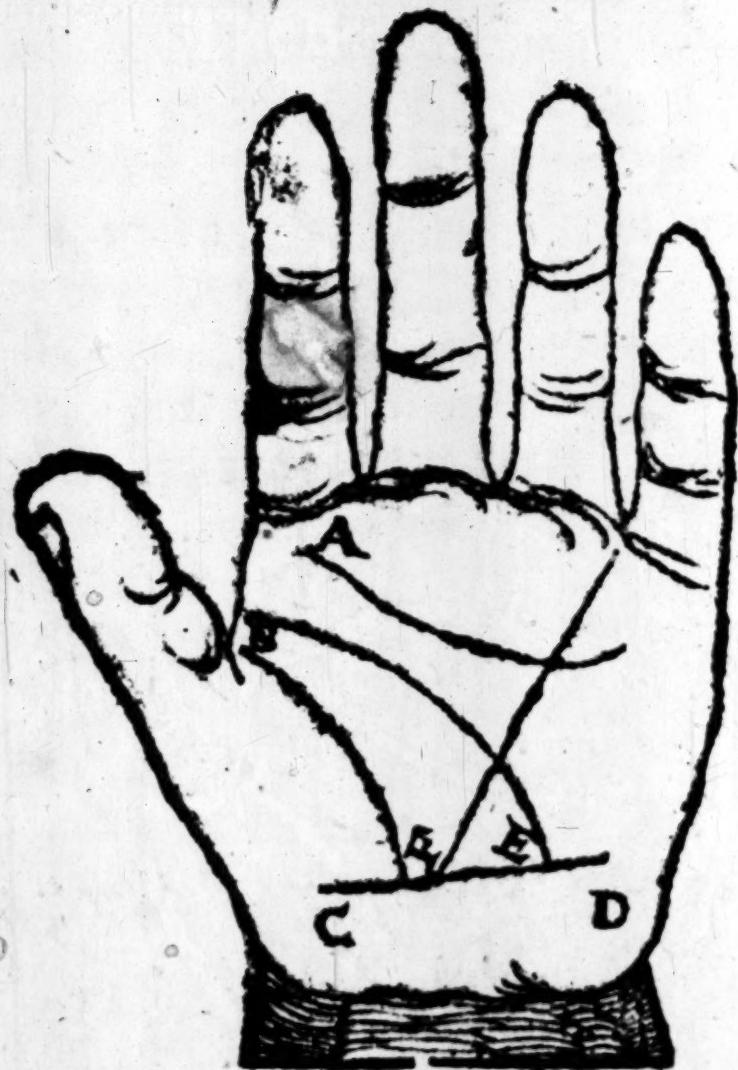
Iishe hastie in giuing sentencē. So that
when I haue gatheres all these thinges
toghēter, and taken holde of that whiche
I thinke meete for my vse, I veter my
iudgment, esteeming the poynt of a mad
man, by looking onely in the hande, to
gaine iudgemente of the life and all the
states of mans booye. And now

I returme to the rules of
Chyromancie.

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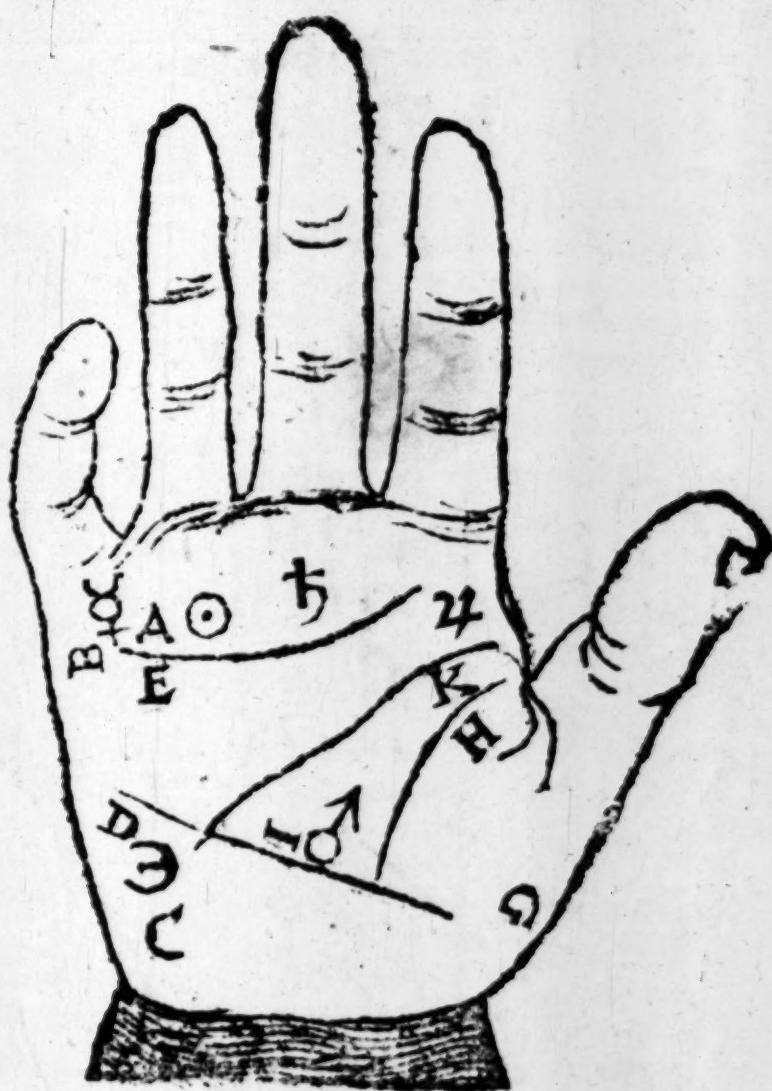


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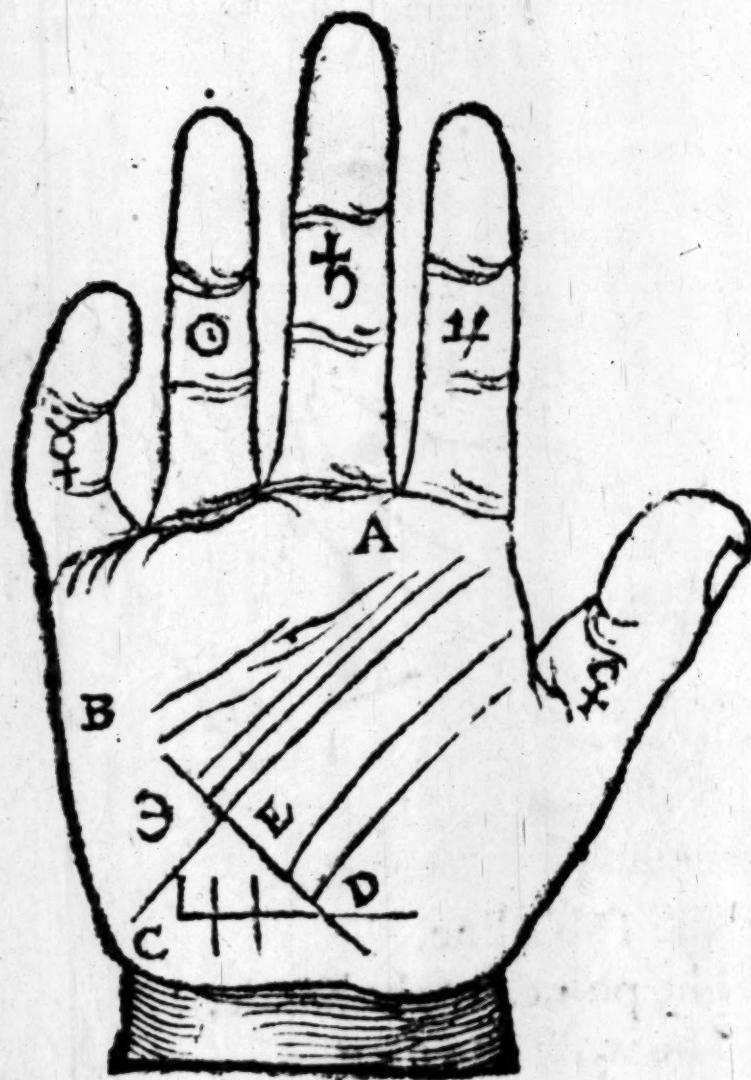
- A The Table line, or line of Fortune.
- B The line of life, or of the heart.
- C The wretf of a woman.
- D The Pomell of the hand.
- E The middle naturall line.
- F The line of the Liver or stomacke.

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- A** The Table line.
- B** The pomell of the hande,
- C** The wrest of a man.
- D** the line of the Liuer.
- E** The Table or quadrangle.
- G** The hill of the Thombe.
- H** The line of life, or of the heart,
- I** The triangle.
- K** The middle naturall line.

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The names of the Fingers after
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A The imperfect table line.

B The Sister to the naturall line.

C The line of the Liver or stomacke.

D The Sister of the line of life.

E The line of life.

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The second Chapter of the line of life, or of the heart.

The line of lyfe, called also the lyne
of the heart, beginneth as is sayde
before at the hill of the foefinger, pas-
sing by the midst of the palme, goeth to
the west. The which if it bee long,
straite, lively coloured, bright and cleare,
it betokeneth long life, endamaged with
few diseases or sicknesses.

Plinic affirming the same, sayth: that
it is a token of long life to haue upright
shoulders, & two long incisions or lines
in one haunde, the which are to be vnder-
stoode of the line of life, and the middle
naturall line. If that y^e naturall powers
bee weake, and that the line doe appeare
short and of diuers colours, runninge in
endow, thine or slender, and cut or par-
ted in sunder, with manye overthwarte
riuelz or small crestes, it dooth declare
shortnesse of life, muche sickness, small
strength and that he in whom this is so
noted, shall seldome or never hyng any
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thing to a good end. So likewise, the line
grosse, long, and undivided, doth shew al
the contraries to the same. Wherfore, if
any man doe require or aske a reason of
this thing, we answere the blud þ which
doth nourish the heart, and is also thought
to be the seat & resting place of the mind,
to be the cause efficient of this thing. For
it is most certain, that as þ blud is pure,
or vnpure: so the line shal bee coloured,
ether cleare or darke: so long as blud
doth abouer , it sheweth readye and
bright: and contrariwise pale, & swart,
when the blud doth fayle or war scarce.
Wherby aswell the naturall heat di-
minished and the weake body, as also the
strong & lusty body is shewed & declared.
The if this line be narrow, subtile, & wel
colored & stretch forth toward þ middle
natural: signifieth a man of good coun-
sell, of subtile understandynge, and of an
high and princely minde and stomacke.
And if it be broad, ill colored, and pale:
it signifieth the contrary. This is alwaies
to bee noted in all principall lynes, that
if they be straite, not diuyded, neyther
curte,

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tutte, and well coloured, it doth declare
a good complexion : if they be contrari-
wise disposed or set, it sheweth the con-
trary. Also if y^e line of life be grosse, deep,
and diversly coloured, that is to say, one
place redde, another pale or swart, is a
signe of malice, craft, enuy, and the man
to be a great talker, and boaster, and one
that standeth much in his owne conceite.
If the line be grosse and verye red, it be-
tokeneth a craftie, a filthie, and an incou-
stant man, but if it bee pale, mired with
a certain rednesse: it signifieth an angry
man, almoste mad with auget. And if it be
verye red, mired with palenesse or sware-
nesse lyke Leade: it sheweth an uncon-
stant, vnshamefast, wauering, craskous,
and angry man, and delighting to stir vp
mischief, & sow discouy. But if it be red
in the part next the wrest: ye signifieth
crueltye, and oftentimes it chaunceth to
be sozked in the upper corner, whiche be-
tokeneth an vnstable man, a runner ab-
houte Countries, and marueilous in all
his doinges, the which if it be crooked &
wychen toward the middle naturall line:

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it signifieth a craftie, deceitfull, wan-
ton, and a manier of a peruerse and fra-
ward minde: and if you happen to finde
in the hande of a woman, a crosse, with
thre small lynes at the upper corner of
the line of life: it signifieth an vnshame-
fasse, and vn honest woman, but if that
crosse bee founde about the righ: corner
in the line it selfe, and be deepe in: it sig-
nifieth an vngodly and mischiefous wo-
man, which shall suffer greate punish-
ment for her mischiefe. For such a crosse
in that line, doth alwaies betoken euill,
both in man and woman. If that there
bee founde twoo lines in the ende of the
rising of the Thonne, neere the lyne of
life, as they were lyng on the one side: by
that token I judge the man to die shortly
And if þ line of life haue braunches stret-
ched out toward the middle naturall, in
forme as you see in the margent: it is a
signe of riches, honor, and perfectiō. But
if the said braunches run downward to-
ward the west in this manner, it signi-
fieþ pouerty & damage by housshold ser-
uants, through their untruthe: & if the said
braunches



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braunches do passe strait thorow the triangle to the middle naturall; it signifieth a man, after diuers and sundry daungers and chaunges of fortune, to come to prosperitie and riches. Moreouer, many small lines dividing the line of life, betokene much sicknes: further, if there be in the line of life certain points or grains scattering: it declareth a man vnschamefast, a fornicator, and in perinde of his life for murder in a tumult, whereof he was author himselfe, and shalbe diuers times soye wounded.

When in the beginning of the line of life be thre small crooked lines, deviding it in this maner: it is a token of a leprosie to come, for it doth declare the ill disposition of the Liver: whereupon this which is already said may bee gathered, that if the line of life be long, & depe wel coloured, hauing a good proportion with the middle naturall line, and the line of the Liver or Stomacke, and that the two be of due quantity and length, and well coloured: it is a good signe of longe life, good nature, wit, disposition, and complexion.



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pteron. And oftentimes there be founde
in the line of life one ☩ or ☦ of these
notes, which do signifie the losse either of
one or both eyes , the which althoughe
they be seldomie found, yet in my selfe I
haue had the exerience, for in the same
place of my Hand is the same marke the
which whē I saw, I cald to remēbrance
in what daunger I was of one of my
eyes, for sitting by the fier in Winter, I
fell thererin , and tumbling in the flame
with my left eye, I was vehemently tor-
mented. Albeit I finde that not only that
did prognosticate that euil unto me, but
also the opposition of Mars, & the Moone
in my Natiuity. For I finde at the tyme
of my birth, Mars to bee in the eleuenth
house in a manly signe, and the Moone
likewise in the Fiftie house , which con-
stellatio, is obserued of the Astronomers
to signifie some such chinge. And in so
much as I haue founde this true, it doth
so muche the more vereifie that whiche I
sayde afore, that these Aries were ioyned
together, as it were by a certaine alys-
ounce, or affinitie, and that the one with-

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out other coulo very litle pruaile. For it is most certaine, the inferior bodies to be gouerned by them aboue, and as all powr and strength haue their influence from those heauenty bodyes: so likewise all lacke and defaute to come by them, it is most sure. Wherefore wee may well consider that nature was a careful workman about the creation of mans bodye, which hath giuen knowledge to man diuerely and manifoldlye, to iudge by these thre most noble and principall parts.

In the other partes, shee hath not so done. For she hath set in the hand of man certaine signes and tokenes of the heart, braine, and Liver, because that in them the lyfe of man doe chieflye consist. But shee hath not likewyse done of the eyes, eare, mouth, handes, and feete, for be cause those partes and members of the body, seeme rather to be made for a com lyngesse or beautye to the bodye; then for anye necessite. Therefore all handes haue the thre lines aforesayde, but the other incissons or lynes maner doe want or lacke, Husbandmen being

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those excluded frō hence for their continuall labour. Wherfore, sithence these two sciences need such a mutuall help, one of the other: I will declare unto you out of Astrologie, the nature of the Erraticall signes, which the Greeks call Planets, saturnus maketh sad, circumspet, coueris, slow, and little speakes, & selfe lovers. Jupiter causeth pleasant, lyberall, quiet, sober, and eloquent persons. Contrarywise, Mars causeth cruel, fierce, & liers. The Sunne maketh godly, wittye, happy, or fortunate, and coragious men. Venus causeth inconstant, libidinous, comely & faire. Mercury causeth subtile, craftye, learned in sciences, and nimble men. The Moone maketh quick witted and comely, but vnstable and slow. Now I haue spoken of the diversity of dispositions and wits: I will also shew some what of voice and speech, wherby the divers effectes and workinge of the Planeteis amongest them selues, maye the better be vnderstood and knownen. saturnus doth cause a slow and strikinge voice or speech. Mars a crashinge voice, like the

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breaking of metals. Jupiter a shrill sounding, and gentle voice. Venus maketh a weake, soft, pleasant, & effeminate voice. And so likewise doth the Sunne, & Mercury. The signes also haue their proper voices, for Virgo, Gemini, Libra, Aquarius, doe make good voices or sounds, Aries, Taurus, Leo, Capricorne, and the last part of Sagittary, cause meane voices. Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces, are either altogether dumbe, & without sound: or else minister somwhat great impediment in the speach. There be also certain signes called fertile because they doe increase, which are Cäcer, Scorpio & Pisces. And others be called barren, as Gemini, Leo Capricorne. So that whatsoeuer a man can do, may be applyed to the signes, as surdeyners of the same. The whiche thing in that it cannot be denied, so much the more are they to be counted slaunderers, which esteeme & report Astrology not as divine, but as vaine frivolous Arte, or knowledge, whome in their places we will set foorth with their colours. But now to returne to our purpose.

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If you find a croſſe in this ſore aboue
the upper corner, proceedinge out of the
line of lyfe, and on the nether ſide, threē
mall lines, and on the upper ſide two, as
you may ſee by thiſ figure, it ſignificeth a
ibidinous and an unchameſte weman.
But if the threē lines be found in the ne-
uer ende of the line of life towarde the
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wrest, it betokeneth that the woman shal suffer grievous punishment for som mischiefe, or euill doing.



Wher a charrettaine in all lynes do dyuide or touche the lyne of lyfe in the upper end, in form prescribed : it doth declare the infirmitie and sicknesse of the

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body. But if on other part of the middle naturall line, there bee incisiorē in this manner, lying as it were directly from the nether part of the line, and rising upward: it betokeneth euill, as paine in the head, which commeth of exhalations of the stomacke, or some such other disease. And these three lines on thend of the line, doe betoken euill, as shall appearre hereafter.

The thirde Chapter of the middle naturall line.

The lyne whiche beginneth at the roote of the line of life, and passeth through the Palme of the hand, toward the hill of y Moone, or pommell of the hande: is properly called the middle naturall line. The which if it be straite, and undevided with anye small overthwart lines, it sheweth good healethe a sound braine, a quick and lively wit & also a good memorie. If it be long, stretched out to the hill of the Moone, it doth declare a stocke stomacke and longe life: which if it be short, that it passe not the hollow,

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hollownesse of the hand, it bokeneth a
searefull, conetous, vnwise and vnsaich-
full man : & if the said line do not stretch
out to the hil of the Moone, but end ener
against the space, whiche is betweene the
middle finger, and the ringe finger: it be-
okeneth a man of ill maners, & that shal
not live longe. Then if the same line run
out beyond the hil of the Moone, & turne
in againe in forme of a halfe compas: the
farther it strechereth, the longer life it be-
okeneth, but in age pouerty. But if the
same line at thupper end do rise towardre
the fingers, it signifieth an vnshamefass
and malicious man: the whiche if it tyse
very much toward y syngers, it doth de-
clare him to be very foolish, and vnwise.
Contrariwise, if it turne downward al-
most to the paime of the hand, it is a to-
ken of a couetous & uncleane man. On
the other pate, if it turne upward, touch
the table line: it signifieth som gret losse,
and aduerse or euill fortune: and if the
same line be wythen, vnequal, and of di-
uers colours; it is a token of an ill dis-
posed mind, & offences of theft. The
lyne

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line being straite, equall, and bryght coloured: betokeneth a good conscience, & Justice. But when the middle naturall line is broad and grosse, with a certayne rednesse intermedled: it signifieth a rude disposition and lacke of wit. And if it be neither too strait nor too large, and well coloured: it betokeneth a mery, cheefull, and a fortunate man, but if it bee subtle and slender, swart, or pale: it declareth weaknes of the braine, and vapours, risinge from the stomacke into the head. And if the line appere grosse & very depe & hath a certayne sinal line nere to it, red coloured: it sheweth an angry and furious man. Againe if it haue certain knottes or spaces in this maner: so many knots as there be, it doth declare so many murtherers, either already committed, or hereafter to bee done. The which knottes yf they be not fully closed or shue, they are a token of a great quareller, which shall heate and wounde, but not kill outrighte. If there be in y^e same line certain grosse prickes, or pointes: it sheweth an vainerly, foolish, & unpleasante man, the which pointes

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pointes if they be very redde : it betokeneth a very cruell and fierce man. If the same line be crooked, making halfe a circle, with a certaine obscure or darke colour : it signifieth daunger by foure footed beast, or els to be slain of a wild beast. And oftentimes, npe the same line there be two small lines ioyned together (as in the sygure of the Vande followinge you shall see) which signifie wounds, but not with weapon. Moreouer, if there bee a crosse in the same line, ouer against the middle finger : it betokeneth that the man shall die within a yeare. If any man haue this line forked towarde the wret, with small diuisions: he semeth to set all his mind on mischiefe, and neither to feare

God nor man.

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This Figure of the Hand heere described with the middle naturall line, beginning at the root of the line of life, & passing directly through the middest of the Hand, without any incisions: signifieth the good state of the body, & health of the braine. And when it maketh a sharpe corner, with the line of life: it declareth

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clareth a quicknes of memorie, and bper
rightnes of minde. But if it be (as is re-
herfed in the canon before) vnequall,
not stretching past the pit or caue of the
Hand, it betokeneth a fearefull, con-
tous, and a forgetfull person.

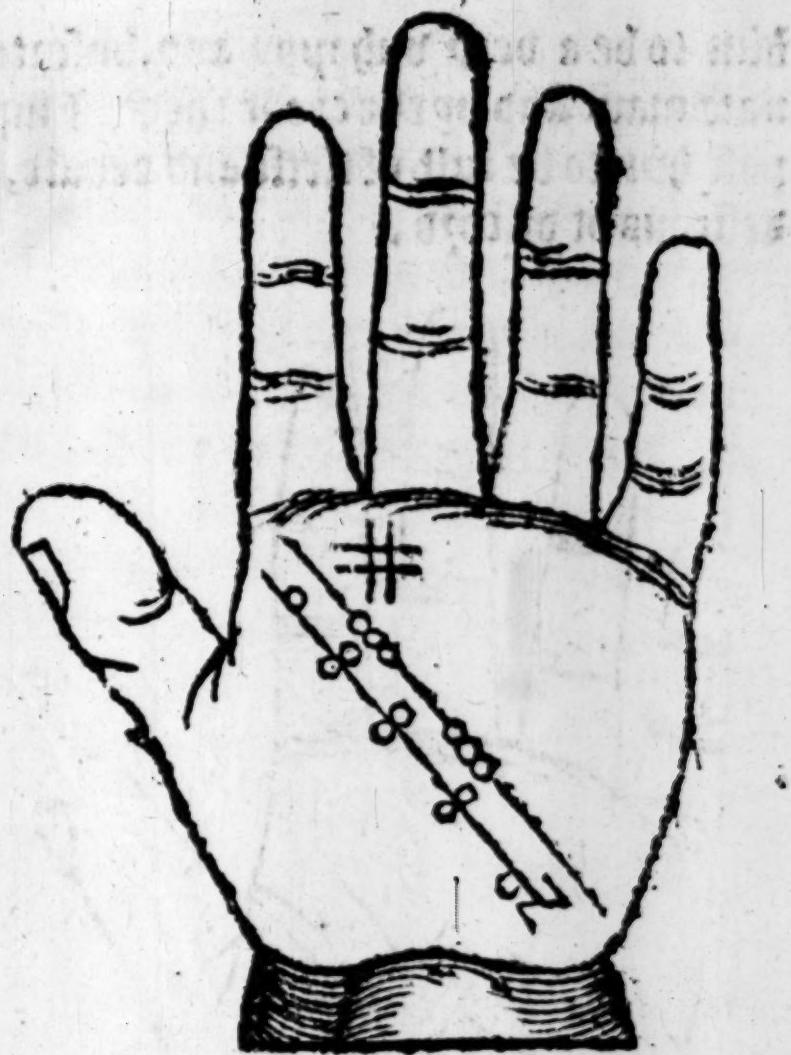


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If the middle naturall line aboue si-
gured , make as it were a halfe Circle,
with a certaine obscure colour, it threat-
neth hurte by beastes , and obscenities
death.. But if at the ende of this line on
ech side doth appeare two small lines : it
signifieth woundes by weapons . If
there appeare ouer agaynst the middle
finger a little Crosse diuided with small
lines, it doth demonstrate the weaknes
of the bodye, and breuitie of lyfe, and so
much the rather, if the square or
quadrangle bee lacking
in the Vande.



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If the hande before portured, haue in
the middle naturall lyne certayne pale
knottes: how manye knottes there bee,
so many murders it doth declare alredy
committid: if they be redde, they do pro-
nounce the person to bee heereafter botch
a murderer and thise. If there be crooked
incisions in y said naturall line. I judge
him

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him to be a very vnhappy and vnfor-
tunate man. And by the crisse there, I sup-
pose him to be full of strife and debate, &
desirous of discord.



When this middle naturall line stre-
cheth to the Table line, and is crooked in
the end in forme prescribed: it declareth
a naughtie euill tonged man, a shudder of
bloud,

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blouds, and shall often be in daunger for
the ſame, and at the length per aduerture
ſuffer condigne punishment. If the ſame
line haue þry inciſions; it doth denouche
a proud, babling, and angry man. But
if there bee a Crosse in the upper corner
righte againſte the riſinge or hil of the
Thonne; it ſheweth an honeſt man, a good
ape and diſpoſed to all kinde of goodnes,
and ſo likewife on the contrarie.

The fourth Chapter of the Table line.

This line is caſted the Table lyne,
because it makeþ the fashion of a
Table in the Hand, for ſo we do caſt
the ſpace temayninge betweene it,
& the middle naturall line, it is alio caſt
led the quadraſile or ſquare line, because
that with the middle naturall line, it ma-
keth almoſt a quadrangle or ſquare. If
this line be equall, longe enough, deepe &
ſtraight; it is a token of a good nature and
ſtrength of the principall mebers of man,
of moideſty, temperaunce and a conſtant
mind in al good worke. If it ſtetch paſt

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the middest of the hill of the forefinger, and touch y^e hill of Jupiter: it is a signe of ver-
yemēt anger & cruelty, being red aboue,
is a signe of a promoter, & envying ano-
ther mans felicity or welfare. And ha-
ving b̄ranches rising strait to the finger
of Jupiter: it doth promise promotion, en-
crease of riches: & that being poore, shall
come by little and little to honour and
worship. But if the line be naked with-
out any b̄ranches stretching toward the
roote of the forefinger: it b̄okeneth an
unfortunate and poore man. If it haue
in the end three small lines or b̄ranches
about the hill of Jupiter, running strait
forth to the upper corner: it signifieth a
fortunate, liberall, merci, modest, and no-
ble man, which delitech in all kunde of
comely and cleanly apparell, and sweet
smelles and sauourcs. In whose birthe
who doth consider the Horoscope, whe-
ther he finde Taurus or Libra, whom Ve-
nus doth rule: or Sagittarius and Pisces,
vpon whome Jupiter hath dominion: or
what planet els there be) hal easilie per-
ceave and finde the cause and reason of
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this matter: a crosse standing in the same place, doth signify a liberall man, a louer of truth, benigae, gentle to be spoken to, and in a maner one indued with al kind of vertue. But if this line doe finishe at ende ouer against the hill of the middle finger: it betokeneth a lyer, a scelle louer, inconstant, deceyptfull, vnshamefast man, and a sower of strife and debate. When this line is toynd with the middle naturall, so that they both make a sharp corner: the same man shalbe in many daungers both of bodye and minde; that hee shall be iuen wearye of his lyfe. And if he lacke the middle natural line, that the Table line icyning to the line of life do make a sharp corner or point: I judge that that manne shall loose his heade, or be deadly wounded, and shall never bring any thing to passe. If this lyne be diuided, that one parte looke toward the middle natural, the other toward the hil of Saturne: it is a token that he shall bee often in daunger of his lyfe, and yet escape. The same lyne being subtle and straite at the ende vnder the hill of Lupi-

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ter: it signifieth a gouvernor of haushold: and promotion or rule ouer his brethren, kindred, and equalles. If it hath incisio[n]es ouer againste the myddle finger: ye
b[ea]t keneth a flatterer, and a double tong[ue] man, whome fewe men shall loue.
If a line comming directly from y^e qua-
drangle to the hill of Saturne, diuiding y^e
Table line, do make a little crosse there; it
signifieth violent death. For as chys
line is a token of great felicite and good
fortune, if it passe by the hil of the middle
finger, and stretch beyond the hil of the
fore-finger: so likewise, not touching the
muddle synger, and ending vnder the hil
thereof, is a signe of extreme pouerty, &
many calamities and daungers. Then
this line hauinge anpe interruptions or
incisions lyng[e] scattered, it signifieth a
foolish[e], and an vnconstant man, whose
studie or desire is to be in conuention with
women, as now to loue, now to hate, &
oftentimes to chide and fight with them.
And this line being depe, subtile, & pale,
at the end aforesaid: declareth an honest
chasse man, but weake, & much troubled
with

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with sicknesse and diseases. But it is an ill signe, and specially in a woman, whē the line beginninge at the middle naturall, going to the hil of the middle finger, doth both diuide the Table, and the cap-
able line, & is forked in the end. And that woman whiche hath a lyne commynge from the line of life, to the hil aforesaid: it signyfieþ that woman to haue killed her owne Childe. The which lyne if it turne backwarde to the hil of Jupiter: it betokeneth that woman shall haue great inheritaunce, if that line be redder then the other; it betokeneth paine in the bow-
ells & knawing about the nauel. Againe, if that line be double, cutting the Table line: it sheweth that the man shall dye a miserable death. For both in man and woman, it is a token of an ill end. And of-
ten the Table lyne toward the hill of Sa-
turne or Jupiter, is seene forked: whiche doth note the man shall suffer many we-
rie labours and trauailes in hys life, the
which the redder it is, it sheweth him the
more inclined to anger. When there ap-
peareth in the same line, certayne small

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lynes ryngage one by another: the moxe
ther be, the moxe honorable they declare
him to bee, & to haue the greater power
and rule. But in whose hande there is
no Table line at al, I conjecture them to
be of both kinds, ill willing, contentious,
angry, vnsaithfull, vncoustant, a redy to
all mischiefe. Moreover, if there appere a
line, cōming from the table line toward
the little finger, it is obserued, that man
neither to be good nor fortunate: but co-
uetous, angry, and horribly sad, and als-
so siche, envious, and a companion of
mischiefe: if there appere any lines red,
betwene the Table line, & the eare ſi-
nger; it betokeneth ſo manye mariages as
they be in number, but if they be crooked
and pale, they be alredy past. Againz, yf
there be found vnder the root of the table
line certayne crooked crosses, ſo many as
there be, ſo many deadly enemis they do
betoken. When that a line cōming from
the table to the hill of Saturne, diuide the
table line, and make a crosse on the ende
thereof: it is ſayde to be a token of a byo-
lent death. And certayne wiſe menne in
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thys science saye, that if there be small
incisioas about the vpper ende of y^e same
line, it betokeneth sicknesse in youth. If
they be in the middest, in myddle age: yf
at the other ende, in age: and if the same
lines run downewarde, the disease shall
be of cholloz: if they ascende, of fleme: if
they rise out of the midst upward, it shall
bee of bloude: and if contrary wise they
turne downward, it shall be of Melancholy,
after as his colour is bryght or
darke. Here is to bee understande, that
Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces, do rule the
saltē fleame. and Saturne causeth al disea-
ses that come of a viscouse or syngre
fleame, as the morphew, leprosy, canker,
and gout. Taurus, Virgo, and Capricorn,
are of like nature, colde, and drye, and
rule the Melacholy. And therfore Venus
doth cause colde and moyste diseases in
the chrote and priuy members. Likewise
the Moone causeth the dropsy, fallinge
sicknes, and Appoplexie. Aries, Leo, and
Sagittarius haue dominion of the choleric
Agues, and biles, which come of blood.
Likewise Mars doth rule hotte Agues,

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frenesies, and i h̄e worme in the head: unto
to Jupiter we attribute the cō bust bloud,
Unto Mercury is applied the diseases of
the minde, bitter, and heauy thoughtes,
& troubled conscience. The Sonne b̄in-
geth hot & dry diseases. All which thin-
ges shall appeare more plaine hereafter,
where the nature of the planets & signes
shalbe spoken of, wherefore noce alwaies
that the rednesse of the lines or incissons
come of the heat of Mars. Therfore in all
the iudgements of this Manuell divina-
tion, I wil you to haue respect to the na-
ture of the Planets and signes, wherein
the Sunne was the time of Matricy or
birch. And so likewise the Phisic.
and pomy must be taken heede of, &
dys by that meane the wise iudge
shall get both profit
and papple.

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If there be found in the line of Fortune, called also the line of prosperity, thre small braunches, & be ioyned with the line of life, and therewith diuide the w^ell: it betokeneth a good and quicke wicke, but if it toyne to those lines, as it is here described, with a certaine wyp-
thing or crookednesse: it signifieth an euill,

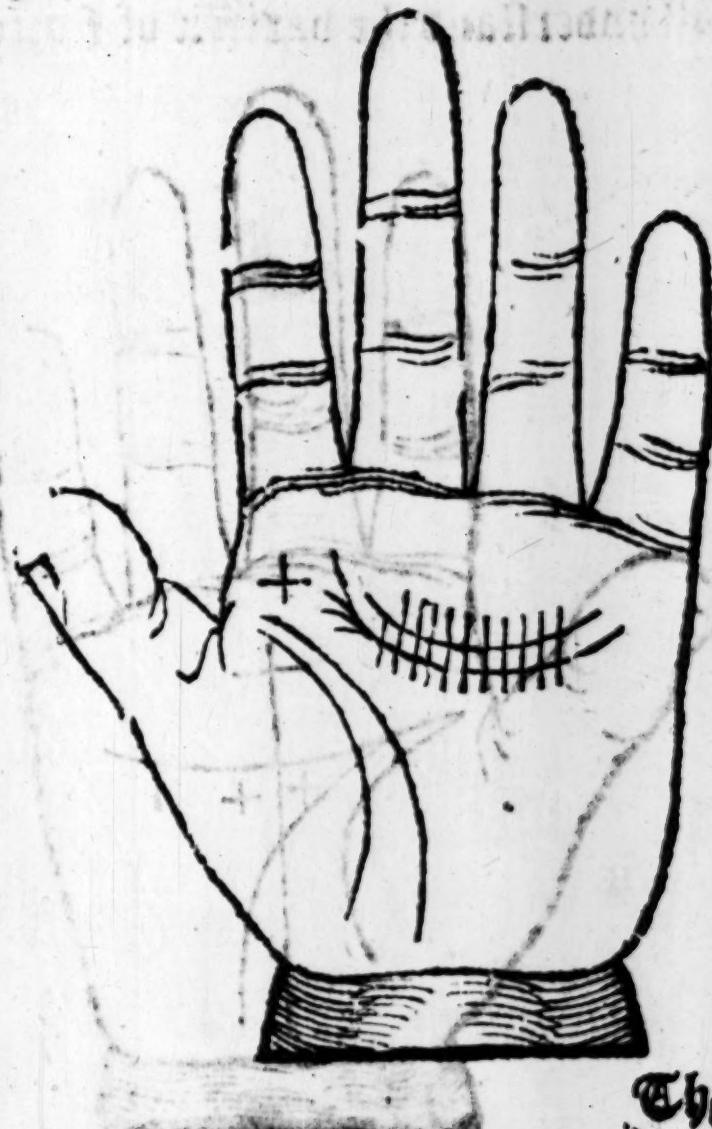
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ruill, peruerse, wicked, and a malitious
flaunderer, and one which congeth al-
waye to shead bloude. For whensoeuer
you shall see these maner of lines, strait
remember and haue recourse to the na-
ture of Mars.



The Cable line thus disposed that it
begyn and ende in his due places, do de-
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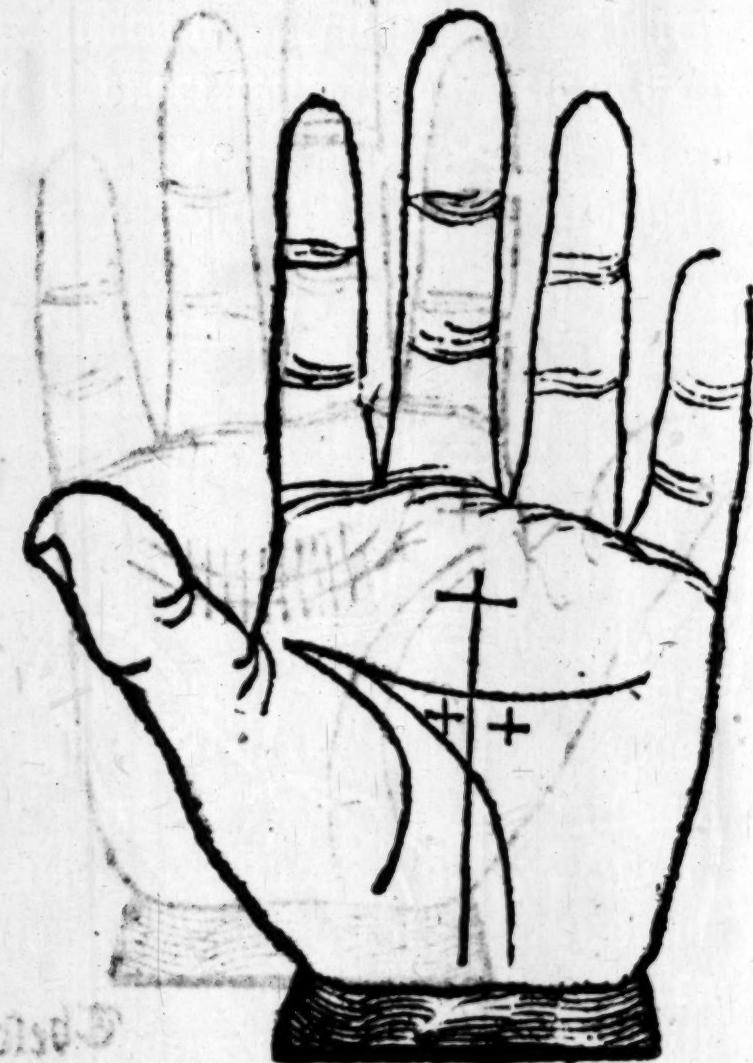
clare the good state of the body, & stregh
of the members of generation. But con-
trarywise, if there be no table line at all,
or that it be without braunches, short &
grosse, stretching out beyond y hil of the
forfinger: it signifieth a mischievous per-
son, and harde of learning or vnderstan-
ding.



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These 3 braunches in the end about the
hil of y forefinger, against the upper cor-
ner: is a good sign boch in man & womā.
Also a little Crosse in the same place, be-
tokeneth good likewise. If the said table
line haue many incissons: it signifieth ha-
tred of Princes, & of great mē: but if the
incissons be unequall and dispersed, you
shall understand the varietie of fortune.



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If that the table line be lacking in the hand of man or woman: it is a very euill signe. For it sheweth a man prompte to al mischiefe, which also shall die an euill death. There must also be respect to the lines about the hill of Mercury, for there is the signes of mariage, and the iudgement of such chinges as pertaine to the Planet of Mercury.



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Againe, if the Table line do thorough-
ly touche the naturall line, that it make
a sharpe angle as you maye see: it beto-
keneth ill, for so many perils shall han ge
ouer his heade, that hee maye iustlye re-
pent that ever he was borne. But if the
naturall line be lacking, and the Table
line touch the line of the heart (except I
be utterly deceived) that man shal loose
his head, or dye some ill death. When a
certayne line (as here you may see) doth
diuide the Table line, and make a small
Crosse in the upper ende: it doth betoken
a violent death. The which line if it rise
straite upright in the hande of a woman,
and diuide the table line: it is an euil to-
ken, for the which seeke the Cannon or
rule afore. If there be a smal crosse in the
ende of the Table line: it betokeneth spi-
rituall dignities, & the rather, if there be
twoo crosses (as I haue often pro-
ued) it signifieth ecclesiasticall
promotions.

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The fift Chapter of the Wrest.

The space which as is aforesaid appearing in the ioyning of the hande to the arme, is called the wreste, the which if it bee pure, and of a good lively colour: it declareth the good estate of the body, & contrariwise the euill. And note, that for the most part there bee two liues which as it were diuide y hand fro the arme. If there bee two lynes, then if that next the hand be equall, straite, and well coloured, stretching upward: it promiseth riches, yea, although hee be very poore, it promiseth increase and felicity, and so much the rather, if there be straite banches and not overthwart. If that a line rising at the root of the arme, do run up to the root of the middle finger: it signifieth good successe and prosperous fortune. But if there be in y space of ioyning foyre equall lynes well ioyned, diuiding the arme overthwart, beholde great honor and dignicie, succession, and heritage of the kindred. And if there bee founde in

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the roote of the arme, nere the hill of the
thombe, nigh the line of life (if it descend
so lowe) thre lines or stacrs or more : it
sig nifieth that person to bee accusid and
betrayed by women, and to suffer slau-
ber by the. Further, if a line beginninge
in the middle of the wreste, go toward the
hill of the Moone : it doth prognosticate
many troubes & troubles of fortune, and
privie exmitie and hatred. The which
line if it be crooked & unquill: it is a ro-
ken of continuall bondage, and that that
person shall never come to promotiō nor
riches. If there be many lines scattered
in the wreste, and rile to the hill o' the
thombe: he that hath that signe, is in dan-
ger to be assyced, wounded, spoiled, or cast
in prisō by his kindred, or by those whome
hee most loued. If there begin certaine
lines in the arme, and diuide the wreste, &
joyne together in the upper parte : that
man without doubt, shall dye in exile or
banishment. The which lines if they doe
not fully close, but be somewhat distant &
sunder: he shall end his life amongst for-
reine nations, far from his own country.

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The same lines tending to the Pomell
of the Hand, do shew long nauigati-
ons and journeys by Sea, and an unsta-
ble life to be spent in such sea peregrina-
tions. Further, if there go a line direct-
ly fro þ wreste to the hil of þ forefinger;
it signifieth a long journey, & a difficult
or doubtfull returne. Also, if there rise a
line at the wreste, and run into the cane
of the hand and be very red: it declareth
the weakenesse and diseases of the bodye
to come. But if it be pale, they be alre-
dy past, and no more to be feared. If there
be founde in the Vande of a woman a
Triangle, tending from the wreste to the
hill of the Moone: it sheweth her to haue
been corrupt, defiled, and defloured in her
first yongh and flower of her age. More-
over, if there be about the wreste of a wo-
man a little Crosse: I judge her therby
both honest, wise, and chast. Beholde the
signes of the good estate of the bodye,
when the space in the wreste neare the hand
at the other nerke the ioynt of the arme,
be both of good and stury colour, having
þe four incissons aforesaid: it betoke-

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Wethall goodnesse. Againe, how hatefull
are the three Starrs, which threaten
daunger by accusation and slander.

Marke also going from the west to the
Pomell of the hand, how manifest an ac-
gument of infelicite and euill fortune it
is. Then that coming from the west to
the hill of Jupiter, how it signifieth a for-
raine, and far distant life to be led. Ano-
ther rising upright, doth promise riches
& favorable fortune. Moreover, the signs
which are in the hill of Jupiter: betoken
riches, honor, & dignity. Also some lines
almost compassing the arme (as you may
see in the hand following,) are tokenes of
long life, and certain lines going from the
rote of the arme, making a sharp angle or
corner, & a small crosse by them: do pre-
misse great quietnesse of life, and to passe
his time merily with promotion. But if
the crosse be away; it doth only promise
succession and heritage of many. If
the crosse or certaine little stars
be there: that man shall
lacke nothing neces-
sary to his life.

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If there bee founde in the w^est two
large lines, and the nech^er line be subtilt
it signifieth riches vntill the middle age,
and after Worshyp, but decrease and de-
cay euery day more and more. If there
rise out of the same lines two smal lines,
as it were suppozinge & holding vp one
another: and certaine other lines rise vp
directly through the Palme to the natu-
rall line: it is a token of great integrity:
and declareth that man to bee of a good
conscience, the which through his beha-
vour shall come to great riches and pro-
sperite, and also come to a good end: but
yet it will bee the longer or these
thinges happen, if the line as-
cending bee crooked and
wythen.

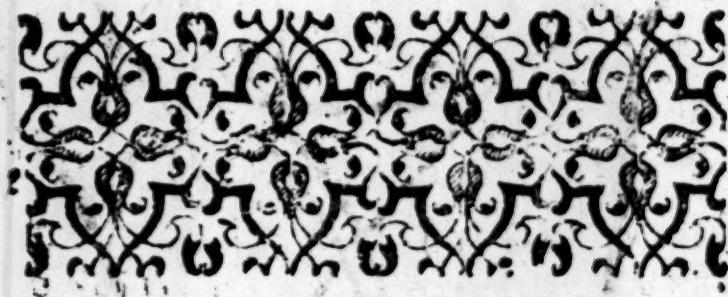
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If that two lynes beginning at the
West, do rise through the Palme to the
hill of the Sunne or ringe finger, and the
same hill bee diuided with two lynes or
uerthwart: it signifieth a compasser or
doer of great thinges, which shall
haue rule and auctoritie in
kings businesse and af:
faires, & thereby get
both great hono^r,



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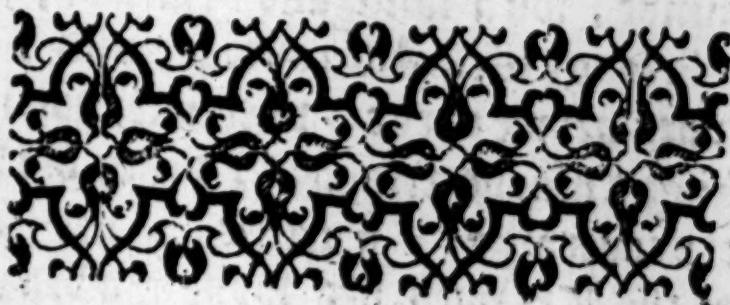
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If in the w^est there bee see ne a cer-
taine grosse line, & then an other subtil-
ler and slenderer, and the third grosser &
deeper then the other: it propo^{le}th abun-
dance of riches in the first age or youtch,
infelicite & pouertie at the middle age:
and in the thirde and last age, recuerie
of all before lost, with increase of riches,
and a quiet life vnto the last ende. If
ther^e be two crooked lines ascending to
the hill of Jupiter, and vpon the firste
ijoynt of the same appeare two lines go-
ing ouerthwart: it signifieth increase of
substaunce, by longe iourneys and tra-
uailes. The same lynes going to the
hyll of Mercury: betokeneth a man apte
to manye thinges, but not fortunate to
great riches. But if they runne to the
finger of Saturne: there can be no worse
igne, for hee will all couetousesse, and
immoderate desire, envy, and dispaine
at an other mans felicitie and
welfare, and a mind gi-
uen to all euill.

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The sixte Chapter of
the Triangle.

The Triangle in the hande is threes
lines, (that is to say) the line of lyfe,
the meane natural line, and the line
of the Liver or Stomack : which are so
disposed and set, that they make y forme
of a triangle. And y space inclosed with-
in those lines, is diuided into three parts
or corners : whereof the first is made by
the line of life, and the naturall line, and
is called y upper angle. Thother which
is formed by the line of life, and the vt-
ter part of the triangle : is called the si-
nister or left angle. The triangle being
of equall angles, having lines faire, well
coloured, and straight : dothe represent
the good qualicie of nature , and of the
bodye, with health and securitie of the
minde, with fame and renswne, and
also longe life. And contrarwile , the
lynes beyng darke , vnequall, not ma-
king a playne triangle : dooth declare
the contrarye. Further, if the space
of the Triangle bee wyde and broade,

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it doth argue stout, liberall, and houde
stomacke. Againe, if it be straite & short,
it betokeneth nigarde, couecousnes, and
fearefulnes. If the plaine within be pale,
declininge to swarthnesse: it signifieth
an angry and a deceitfull person. Also, if
it bee cut and diuided with manye win-
kles: it sheweth the ill disposition of the
body. Moreouer, the vpper angle is clo-
sed by the lyne of lyfe, and the naturall
line three maner of wayes: first of al, if it
close in the caue of the hand ouer-against
the valler, betwene the forefinger and
the middle finger: wee iudge thereby a
miserable life, endangered with cala-
mities and captiuicte, and a minde full of
anrietie and care, and oftentimes as it
were drowned and overcome, and speci-
ally for the desire of money. Secondly,
if it bee well closed with a sharpe corner
under the midst of the hill of the forefyn-
ger: it declareth a good nature, a quicke
wit, and good dispositio, happy & prospe-
rous successe, with integrarie of maners.
And all these thinges are so muche the
perfetter if the angle be wel and sharply
closed.

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closed. Thirdly, the lines not ioyning together, but having a certaine space left betweene: is an argument of an Ambitious man, a selfe louer, vnpure, and unmannerly, a slanderer, and cruell, a lier, and liuing without praise or good name. The which man if hee happen to come in Captiuicie or bondage: he shall never recover againe his libertie. And if he be free, yet he shall die miserably. The space within the triangle roughe and harde: is a signe of anger, and crafte, and subtiltie, if it be rough with wrinckles: it signifieth enuy, hatre, & slauders. When there doth appere a certaine line betwene the two lines so neare, that it touch either of them: it signifieth that man shal either be poysoned, or haue some mortall wound. When therer appere in the upper space fourre lynes diuiding one another lyke crosses: it sheweth enuy, backebicinge, with studye and desyre to oppresse others. For the two lines ioyning sharpe together, doth declare the goodnesse of the whole body, but if they ende in the eare or piece of the hande precisely ouer against

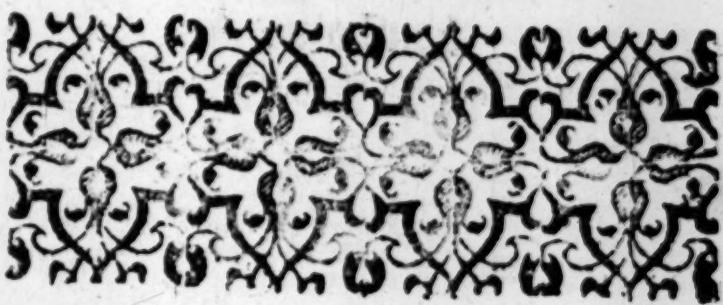
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against the finger of Saturne, makynge
an angle: it betokeneth bloudshedding
diuers and sundrye wayes: as woundes
of the heade, flurke of the bellie, and if this
signe bee in women it signifiethe the in-
cessant flurke of the menstrue, and dogn-
ger in Child bearing. If there be in the
Triangle a figure like a starre: it shew-
eth an aduoutrous woman, & past shame
and furious, which through her irrefre-
nable anger, shall fall into such a frenzy
and madnesse of minde, that she shall co-
uet and go about to cut her owne throte.
Whensoeuer you perceiue in the hande
of a woman in the place aforesaid, a cer-
taine starre putting forth a long rule:
judge that womā to haue loure husbāds.
If in y same space there be a crosse with
out any incision: it betokeneth good both
in man and woman. For in those whiche
haue that signe, it betokeneth a life well
passed, and to ende with good name and
fame. The right angle being very sharp,
both shew a circumspet, wittye, and spa-
ring man: the same being obscure and
grosse: is a signe of rudenesse, slouth, and
much

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much giuen to slepe. The left angle sharp
betokeneth a babler and crafty man, nec-
withstanding witty and painfull : but if
the upper corner bee not sharpe, and ha-
ving as it were the carecter of Saturne :
it is a token of an euill and plaine Satur-
nine nature. And hee whose fingers are
so set, that there bee in euery toynt as it
were certaine spaces or risings crooked
and vnequall: it betokeneth him to be-
come very poore, and to liue miserably.
If there bee in the upper part that is in
the thirde toynt, an evident writhing or
crookednes: it is a signe of envy, disc: it,
malice, and altogether of an euill
disposed minde, which man also
shall leade a life full of mis-
serie and calamitie.

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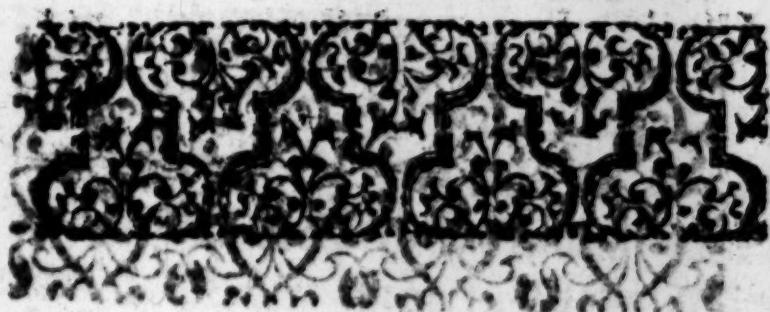
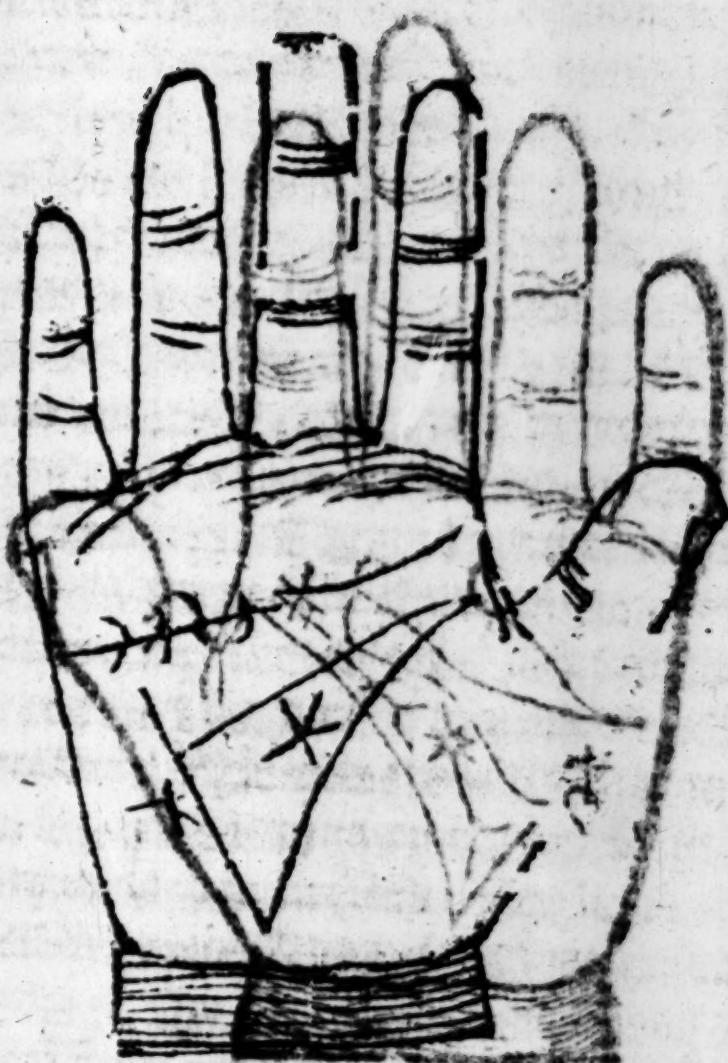


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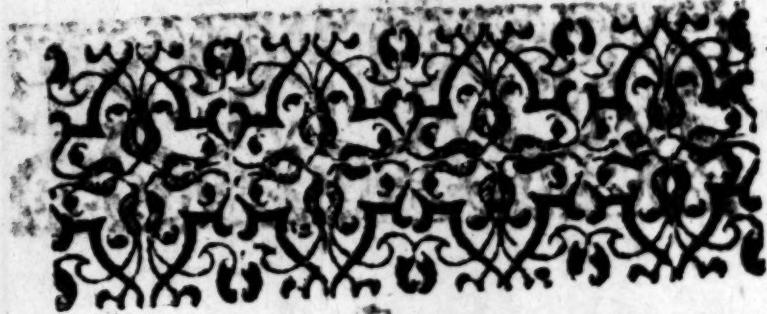
The triangle both in the Hande of man and woman, doth signifie much goodnessse. But if there be founde in the Hande of a woman within the triangle, the similitude of a Starre: it betokeneth an unchaste woman, and given ouer to the lust of the fleshe. Also, in a man it is a signe of euill. Farther, if there be in the Hande of a man about the righte angle, an erpresse plaine Starre: it dothe plainly declare an vncrusty, troublesom, disciuptfull, and slaunderous person: Also a cheefe and robber, doing all thing b[e]tweene right or wronge, by violence, inclined and also instructed in all euill, who at the length shall die an euill death.

Small braunches in the beginninge
of the line of life, or Table line:
doth betoken abundance
and increase of
houshold.

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¶ In staccre phaying a longe stakket up
by a yniche going from it, he founde in the
Wandes of a womanset doth declare that
she shal haue many husbands. As herell
asched two lynes of the upper covert bee
discont a sunder, with dispace betwene
them: it is an evill signe. If y^e haue puce drest
vnderlyng the vsefules in the upper covert
in a qualten of a chisse, a boar, demonstrateth
the euill detracçoy and oþer unferly
gavatours me. A Threare figure is made
the riþe side of Salteray doth prognostice
such hidynge; the eable line also talideth
þis þerre may bee, doþhre to þere an hysopule
wodens an tƿynter to þe belly, if there be
þis signe of a forke ey þat upwardie w^g
þonne ward in the said triangle leuit she-
þe ethang unconstancib^g to þis artus
þt mays se þis illad and þis signe of
þis staccre tenth Chapter of
þe quadrangle.
In þis place, in þis staccre,

The Quadrangle is callid that space
which is betwene the line & y meane
naturall. Then if the incisions of thys
quadrangle bee of a bright and lively co-

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Iour, it doth promise the e quicke and up-
rightnesse of lyfe : and contrariwise, it
doth declare a wicher and naughey ma.
The same spate, ample, and large : be-
tokeneth liberallitie and bountes of the
mache. A rosse also in the same place of
the hande, signifieth goddes successe in ec-
clesiasticall ministracion, & so much
the more fortunate, if che figure be done
by a tripled like unto a latisse : but if
the same rosse be crooked, & unprovided
with overthwart incissons, it doth pro-
mette the contrarie to al that is afores-
aid. Moreouer, an evident spate in the
same place, doth demonstrare a boute
man, upright, true, and of a good con-
science. The which man althoough tho-
uot aduersicie and misfortune he fall in-
to pouertye, yet hee shall rise againe by
his owne vertue and goodness : yet not-
withstanding, it sheweth him to be

a feminie man, which also shal

suffer some aduersicie and

trouble for women.

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Oftentimes also the hole table is lacking: then if the table iine ioyne with y^e naturall line, and be ympe a triangler: it sheweth that man to be in daunger to be slaine by man that shall lye in wait for hym. But if in the rype of the table aboue the pommell of the Hande there be a manifest crosse: judge thereby many peregrinations, long iourneys, and often chauing of place, but therby good sorte. Wherell the two lynes which make the Table, be farre distant, with a great space betweene them: it is a token of superfluous heate, and vntemperage humours in the bodye. Contrariwise, the plaine or table of the Hande being narrowe and straight: besokeneth a covetous man, carefull to get goods, therewithal deadlye cruell. And this is sufficiente spoken of the principall incisions or lynes which are within the Hande. And consequentlie wee will treatise of the vsings, of billes of the fingers, and also of the fingers themselves, with the stacions of the Planets, and whatsoeuer else shall remaine needfull to be spoken of.

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To Balmebury, T

You haue heard before declared what
the caracters, lynes, & crostes in the Ta-
ble of the Hand, do signify and howshew.
The sharte also in the middest of the ta-
ble, doth she we a louer, and maintainer
of all honesty & goodness, and therfore had
in reverencie, & aspiring to greate digni-
tie. And let this be a geaerall rule, for al
those whose hands doe quiver and shake
by nature, (for whiche many it happeneth
by chounce, and so other some by sicknes
and diseases, to iudge them as langrie.)

as scolders, and biquitters, uncleane,
and unmen and aynsheds, in dede
whiche amys and chayre was yngayred.

Thetviii. Chapter of the hilles

of the fingers, and first of the
hill of the Thonbe, called also
amongst auncient writers
the hill of *Venus*.

NOwe that there is sufficiencie ex-
treated of the principall lynes of the
Hand: wee will also ioyce of the parti-
culer incissons of the fingers, and of their
hills: laying before your eyes their sig-

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imitations, with the stures of ih; seuen
planees, wherby you may know what is
agreeable among them, and contrariwise
what doth hurt. The rising of swelling
of the flesh, beginning at the line of lyfe,
descending strait to the wox, is callede
hill of the thombe: it is also callede hilfe
of Venus, because it is soft & plaine wiche
very few or no wrinckles or incissons, &
being ruddy and lively coloured with the
wech the good quality & estate of the body
by, also a louer of women, & one delicing
in cleauy and faire apparell. But if there
appeare in the same place a certain shre
line going downward by the line of lyfe,
(& therfore called the sister of the line of
lyfe:) it signifieth a man delicing in vena-
rie. Notwithstanding, the same line be-
yng long, not broken of, wholly accom-
panyng the line of lyfe through; doth pro-
muse continuall riches. But if it begyn
not in the upper end of the hill, but per-
aduenture in the midle, or not farre from
the nether ende: it betokeneth lacke and
penurie in youth, but after abundance
& plentyn. Ofteyn also there be fourne lines
equally

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equally distant, comming from the top
of the hill to the wyle, which do promise
riches and honour even in the first age ;
the which lines if they begyn not at the
verie top, but at the toynt of the thombe,
they do promise the same successe, but
longer and later to come to passe, even in
the extreme age. If the same fourre lines
doe diuid the upper toynt of the thombe
a little within the naile, or be very neare
the same toynt, and bee long, bright shy-
ning, they betoken present honouer & ry-
ches. And also rule and domination if the
same fourre lines bee diuided or cut, with
other smal lines going ouerthwart. Ma-
ny times there is a subtil incision begin-
ning at the top of the hill of the thombe,
going toward the lyne of life : which sig-
nifieth that man shall dye by some stroke
of weapon. Also, many bright lynes ry-
sing ouer agayne the soezinger, and
diuiding the lyne of lyfe, are tokenes of
many peregrinations and longe tour-
neys into divers places. The same lynes
diuiding the line of life in the upper part
of begynning : sheweth a boaster and

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an ambitious man, riotous, and bernes-
rous. In some also a red sine wondryng
up and downne the hill of the thombe: be-
okeneth incest, and carnall compayne,
with his kindred. Albeit I would not
haue such credit given to his science, that
this shold straight be iudged true, the
Mande beyng looked vpon, for when we
speake of accompaunyng with kindred
mee woulde haue yt understande that
man to bee so enflamed with fleshy luste
and appetite, that there is but litle hope
that he will abstaine from them. To the
which thinge it behooueth muche to be
hold the face and whole body of the man,
whiche dooth declare the state of lyfe to
come. For they which be pleasaunt ma-
nered, leadynge a mery and ioyconde life,
beyng conuersant and reioycinge in
playes and daunces, haue small Starrs
in their hill, for this is the whole studye
of Venus: and suche menne haue their
hill commonly diuided with many small
and bright incissons, whome if you doe
well beholde, you shall see his face well
colored, his body decently compact, his
eyes

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eyds blacke and clere, a pleasant countenance & honest gesture, and altogether
penerous, and therfore wanton, ty-
cous, lecherous, delighting in dice play,
dauncing, and other pastimes, hauinge
pleasures in flowers, roses, & sweete smels,
costly apparell, desirous of golde and sil-
uer, often laughing, counterlant amoungst
wenmen, desirous and apte to learne all
sciences of this sort and nature; and of a
rare wit and understanding to learne any
other thing. Also light of belte, easie to
be deceived, libtall, gentle, fast & faith-
full delititing in painted tables & pictures
& alwaies desirous to learn to paine himself,
hauing good fortune in al things of that
sort: in the the cottaries not so fortunat:
Whose life shall be pleasant with meane
substance, not covetous of lucher & gafre,
beloued of manye, given to all kinde of
pleasure, not easilly moued with anger,
not carefull about hardē doubtfull busyn-
nes, but content with his present estate,
severing al curietie & trouble of mind apart
and soliuing to his last end. For likewise
as in this, so in all other is the nature of

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man to be considered, as well by the habite,
and proportion of the body, as by looking
in the hand, wherefore that which is here
expressed, let it be an example to bee fol-
lowed in all others. Further, they which
haue the hill of the thombe diuided with
many small wrinckles not equalllye dy-
stant, but scattering and out of order, are
to be counted fleshly, vnpure, froward, g-
hawling, delighting to be in contentions
with women, burning so much in lust
that they haue neuer satisfied but seeke
strange & vnaccustomed kinds of vselike-
hunte monstres & beasts, howbeit they bee
of an vnglye aspect conuersation & life, deli-
ting in no kind of wisdom or learning,
neither profiting any thing at all therin,
but very apt to learne all handy crastes,
& to devise and invent all thynys percep-
ting vnto ryot. The cause of this I as-
signe to Venus, beeing in the vi. or viii.
house in the birth of such men. Whereby
you maye perceiue how Astrologie and
Chiromancie doe mutually embrase the
one thorther, so that one without other can
not well be understande, as shall bee
shewed hereafter more at large.

to Balcony IT



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If there be about the first ioyne of the
thombe a crest like a ring going rounde
about, and diuiding the thombe, many
doe stilye iudge and say that that man
shal be hanged. The which thing I haue
proposed true in one man, but because I
haue seene many hanged which haue lac-
ked that marke, I leauue it as vncerthim.
Also three or fourre incissons in bzead b
vnder the first ioyne: breokeneth rythes
and bones in yonck, if they be aboue that
ioyne, or shall be in the middle age, but
if the same incissons be neare the seconde
ioyne: it signifieth the same effect, but
in the extreme and last age. If any wo-
man haue her Thombe so marked (as is
discribed in the seconde sygure) I iudge
her to be eschewed and auoyded, as cras-
tie and a night. Also this marke ☩ in
the midost of the hill of Venus: signifieth
a libidinous, euill mannered, & an ariou-
tous wortan, willingly putting footib
her selfe to whoredome & vice, wonderful
untemperate, & unsatiable in copulatio.
Further what married womā hath threē
lynes

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Iynes somewhat unequally distane, bref-
ding the first loynt of y thomb: it sheweth
her to bee in danger either of death, or of
a wounde by her owne husbaude. More-
over many smal crosses vnder the second
loynt, declareth a very holy woman, gi-
uen to religion. Agayne, onely two of
those markes doorth signifie an unsaich-
full babler, and a woman full of strife
and discord. and many smal brawnches
in the same place doth betoken a wanton
woman, and one sone ripe.

THE nyng Chapter of the hill of the forefinger, and of the finger, with the nature of the Tonials.

EYupiter the most beneficial planet of al,
hath his place in the hill which is be-
der the forefinger, the which hyll beyng
plaine and smooth, doth shewe unto thee
honestie of life and goodnesse of nature.
And so much the rather, if there bee cer-
taine small darke riuels going out from
the same finger, the which if there bee
be

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Not farre distant : ic berokeneth honouer
and dignitie by p^rinces. And some being
boldet, do define and sape, that hee shall
attaine to so manye degrees of honor, or
ecclesiasticall dignities, as there be such
incisions in his hande. It is also a token
of magnitude and boldnesse, desse, and
studie to compasse great thinges; as also
a desire of renowme and glorie; when a
straite cleare lyne beginnynge at the root
of the forefinger, almost at the meane nat-
ural line, doth turne backe againe to the
corner of the hill. A small line also going
from the table line to the hill of the fore-
finger: doth signifie the same aforesaid.
If that certaine overthwart riuels do di-
uide the lyne aforesayde, they betoken
wounds in þ head. Also a grosse, bright,
and ruddy line, dividing the forefinger
from the middle synger in a man, dooth
betoken the sicknesse of the intrailes or
bowels, in a woman ic signifieth daun-
ger in childe bearing, and se muche the
more daunger, if it be very red. Moreo-
uer, croses in the hill of Jupiter, do sig-
nifie honor, and promotions in so manye
degrees.

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degrees, as there be found crosses, for it hath been often seene, such men to haue gotten benefices and ecclesiasticall promotions abundantly. And those men hauing those markes, are chiefly called Ionials, or of the nature of Jupiter, hauing for the most part good successe in all affaires of that sorte or kinde. Who for the most part are of a meane stature, and pleasant forme or shape, whitely coloured, thicke haired, comely eyed, giue to clenlines & mirth. They be naturally stout stymaked, & hye minded, hauing to doe in great & waighty affaires, liberall oftentimes aboue their abilitie, conering to rule and haue dominion ouer other, despisers of all mediocritie and meane estate, honest, noble, conetous of glory & renowme, ambitious, pleasant and merrie, faichfull and friendly, abhorring all fraud and disceit, peaceable, apt and inclined to all learning and wisedome, politique, and eloquent. The walking or going is meane, neither faste, nor slow, betokening a great constancie of minde. No manne more fortunate then they, or

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that sooner obtaine their desires. For the most part alwaies in fauoure with priu-
ces or great men, louing dearely their wife and children. Also prosperous and
happie in succession and posteritie.

Moreover they bee great eaters, and therefore ofteyn diseased with the rawe-
nesse of the stomack or liuer, or els long
lived, having a cleare and shrill voice,
& the formost twoo upper teeth sticking
out. And thus much of them on whose
birth Jupiter is lord, without coniuncti-
on of any euill with him. Furthermore
many lines going ouerchwart in the up-
per ioynt of the forefinger in the hand of
a woman doe declare that she shall haue
large inheritaunce by the death of her
friendes and kindred. The same in the
middle ioynt, doe signifie envy, lyng,
and deceit, which signes if they be in the
hill of Jupiter doe minister suspicion
of an angrie, testy, vnmannerly,
and scoulding woman.

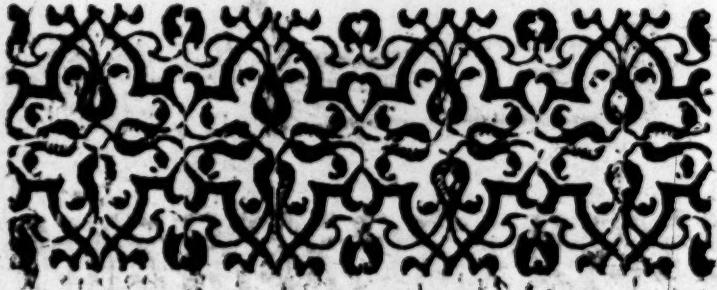
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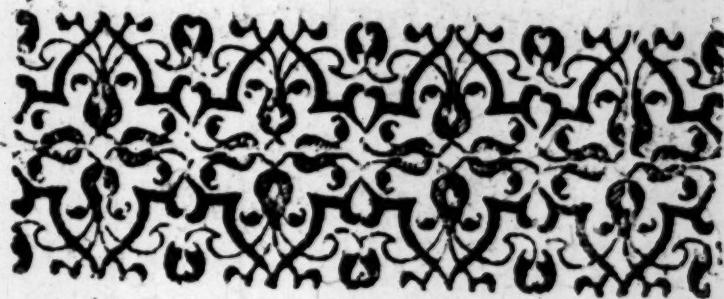


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And thus haue I also found out the
number of childdren: If any woman haue
in the myddle ioynte three bryght inci-
sons runninge long waxes, whereof
the myddle most is shorte and blunt at
the one ende, and an other bryght line
going ouerthwart, and two other darke
lynes which touche not the myddle
short lyne. Also wicked & naugh-
tis women haue starres with
a halfe compasse in the
bill of Jupiter.



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The same also doe declare three crooked lines almost equally distant within the vicer ioynt of the forefinger. Contrarywise, it is a token of honesty and chasticie, when the middle ioynt is diuided with many lines going in length, with a starre in the middest. Also it promiseth greate inheritance or riches to come (whether it bee by order of inheritance, or of ecclesiasticall dignities or promotions) unto him that hath a cleare starre not interrupte with anye line or winkle in the hill of Jupiter. A line going from the hill of the middle finger to the west sheweth fearful and weake harted men, but notwithstanding envious. Some also affirme, that those which haue that line, if they chaunce to be taken and cast in prison: either they shal die there or bee grieuously punished, or very hardly escape and be deluyered.

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The x. Chapter of the hill of the middle finger, appropriate to *Saturnus* of the finger it selfe, with the nature of the *Saturnines.*

The middl: finger of the Hand as is
aforsaide in this science, is attri-
bute vnto Saturne, & called by his
name, & therefore the rising vnderneath
it, is also called the hill of Saturne. The
which hill if it be plaine & smoth without
wrinkles or incisōs: it declareth a sim-
ple man, painfull, & without disceit. If
that a riuell comming frō the table lyne
doe cut the hill of Saturne: it signifieth a
carefull man, disquieted and vexed with
daily troubles and cares, alwaies study-
ing and musing on something, notwithstanding
standing seldome rich. Also many incisi-
ons in the same place, do declare an hea-
vy & penisfull life, full of penury & neces-
sity, prisonment, & tormentes. Likewise,
a line bowing from the roote of the ringe
finger to the hill of Saturne, sheweth a
sloothfull and sluggish man, foolish, and

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rashe, never doing any thinge wittily,
albeit sometime foolish, bold, of a foo-
lsh and rude minde and vnderstanding.
They say also, that woman which hath
more lines betwene the fingers of the
Sunne and Saturne, then betwene the
Sunne and Mercurye, there being some
lines also: to be apt to generation, & spe-
cially of men childeře. This also I know
certaine, that if any small lines go from
the principall lines of the hande to the
hill of Saturne: they declare an euill dis-
position, and not a very honest life. It is
also fudged a token of sterilitie and bar-
rennesse in a woman, to haue a crosse or
a starre in the first ioynt of the finger.
And those which haue the hill diuersly
diuided with riuels, the other hill being
smooth & plaine, are to be fudged Sa-
turnins, whose nature for the most part
is to be pale coloured, uncomely visaged
their eies fixd downward to the ground,
in going slowe, leane, and oftentimes
crooked backed, & for the most part euill
mannered. For Saturne maketh the ma-
licious, deceiptfull, and craftie, deliting

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to be alone, regarding no man, without
all friendship. Not very curious about
their meates, great drinckers, and often-
times great eaters, continually disquiet-
ted with cares and raiseries, never free
from thē, ful of heauie & fearefull thou-
ghtes and imagiuations, louing sennes
and

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and standing waters, liuing filchely slow
and rare of speech, cold of nature, weake
bodyed, sicklye, of a lowe voice, hoarse,
and stutting, lightly enuying other, and
whom they hate, they persecute continu-
ally without remission. Their delight is
to bulde, to plant, plowe, and all thing
that will concinue , hauing no greate
pleasure in women , and therefore sel-
dome hauing Childdren, but dying with-
out issue . Wonderfull defenders and
keepers of their libertie , iudging it ex-
creame misery and euill to serue and bee
in bondage, delighting in blacke, & ther-
fore clothing themselues therewith, full
of suspition and feare, giving greate re-
gard vnto dreames : and thus far of Sa-
turnins. That woman that hath five or
sixe lines in the first ioynt of the myddle
finger running downeward, shall beare
a Sonne which shalbe a p[ri]est. Al-
so that man which hath a star
in the same ioynt, shall
eyther kill or be
killed.

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The eleuenth Chapter of the ring finger and hill, and the na- ture of them borne vnder the *Sunne.*



The hill of the ring-finger, called also of most learned men the hill of the Sunne, is that which riseth in a certaine space betwenz the finger & the table line, if there proceed from the roote thereof to the table line, certaine small lines; they work the same effect that Mercury dooth amongest the Astrologians, which maketh a man of a prouiant and quicke wit, giuen to diuers kind of learning, prouide, & eloquent, also fortunate to promotions, aswell prophane as spirituall. But if there be other lines drawen ouerthwart them, or that they diuide one another,

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another : it signifieth the cleane contrary. But if the same lines do not touch or diuide the other : it is a good token that he shall ouercome & treda downe al his enemies. The which, if they neither touch the finger, neither be equally placed from the table line, but hanging between, according to the alteration of the lines : they note the change of estate and life. Also many slender red lines in the same hill, do shew a wise & a mery man, the which lines if they be crooked & red : betoken diseases wherewith a man is presently vexed & troubled. If they be pale, paine is alredy past. Againe, if they diuide the selues like a sainct Andrewes crolle, stretched from the table line to the first ioynt : it signifieth a prouident and circumspect man in doing his businesse. There is also another token pronouncing fortunate things, specially in getting of honour & dignitie, & all things pertaining to vertue, liberaltie, and wisdom : which are two crooked lines, equally distant going from the west, as you may perceiue by this figure.

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Also many lines in the Hand of a woman about the upper jointe running together, do shew the same. And moresover that she shall be had in reverence & made rich by her husbandes: also they shewe her to be devout, but not to leade no monasticall life. So likewise, if they be in

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the seconde ioynt, they declare that shee
shall alwayes bee had in reputation and
honor, but amongst them of her owne
Rocke. Alwayes they signifie y-
ches, as well in men, as in
women. But they are
cuijl if they stretch
to the hill of the
Sunne.

The twelfth Chapter of the
hill and Finger of Mercury,
and of his Nature.

The hil of the eare finger or rather
of Mercuryc, is betweene the lit-
tle finger and the Table lyne. It
is greatlye materiall whether it is
playne withoutte incissons or baynes.
For it being well colored without win-
kles,

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bles, sheweth a constant mind in a man,
in a maide integritie. A slender lyne ri-
sing at the table to the rote of the hil: be-
tokeneth liberality. Also many such lines
beginning betweene the Table line, and
the little finger: signifieth so many ma-
riages as there be lines. Notwithstan-
ding, the length, colour, and slender-
nes of them must be marked: for the pale
lines signifie mariages past, the long and
well colored then to come. It happeneth
often some of them to be grosse and very
red, whereby thou shalt iudge a lyer, a
cheefe, & robber, and one defiled with all
kind of mischiefe. Now if there be a cro-
ked line, as it were a circle goyng from
that finger to the middle finger: it decla-
reth an excellent wit and disposition, in
whomie there is great hope that hee will
be apt and prompt to all kind of affaires.
If there be small crooked lines in the up-
per part of the little finger in the hand of
a woman: it sheweth a condition proper
to all women, which is pride, much talke
and babling, with incōstancy. And this

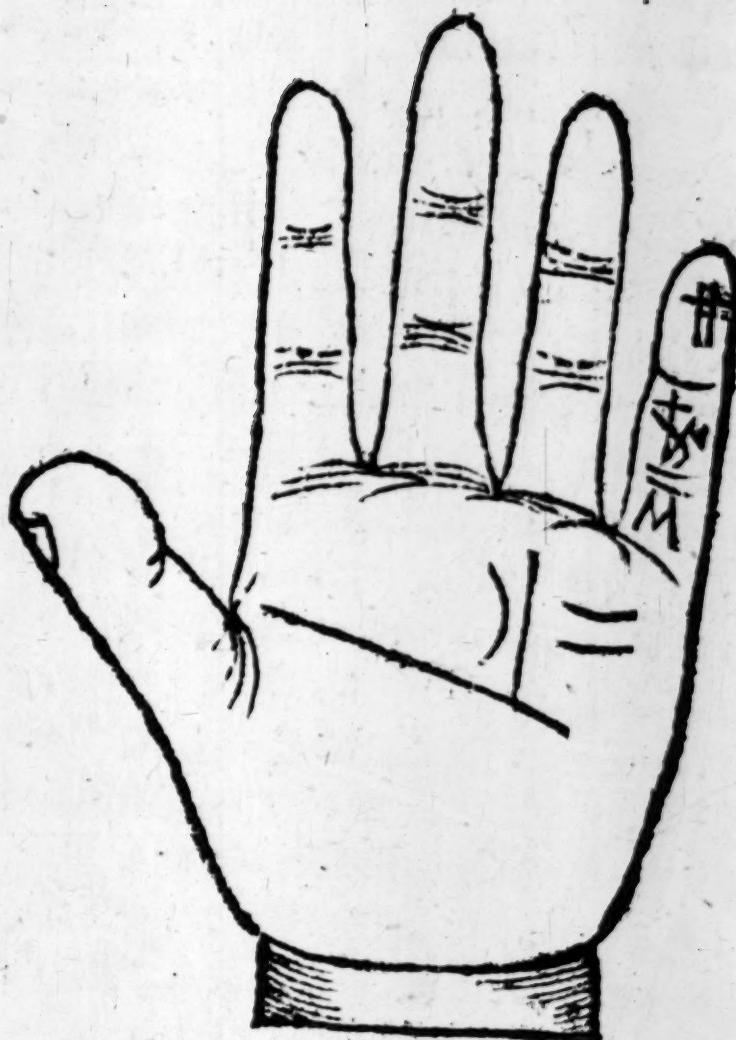
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for the most part is the Phisiognomy of
all the Mercurians, meane coloured be-
tweene blacke and white, hye forehead,
round face, fayre eyes like a cat, blacke
and thin beards, slender body, comely sta-
ture, thin lips, sharp nose, shrill voice and
ready, a quicke motion and stirring. If
thou wilt foreknow this by the hill, if he
be full of strait lines, he is also of a preg-
nant wit, bold, a whoremonger, faith-
full, ready to lye, a lover of his owne
sects, a hater of superstition, noe regar-
ding temples nor oracles, apt to all sci-
ence Mathematicall & Geometry. Fi-
nally, a man fit for all assaies, a doctor,
a poet, endued with the knowledge of
tongues, a searcher of secrets, a Philoso-
pher, harty, modest, but full of wordes,
hurting no man, delighting in the clea-
nest handy craftes, as in painting and
such like. Albeit, he is more vexed
with sicknesse, and troubled
with delusions of spi-
rits, then other
men.

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There be also certaine tokenes, wher
of the first in the first ioynt doth declare
a man to be studious, chieflie of Retho-
ricke, arrogant, proude, and of a rypp
wic. That in the second ioynt although
it vary from the first, yet hath it the same
effect, sheweth an excellent Preacher
or Oratour, if it stand ouerthwart: he is
troubled with sundrye passions, hystri-
ble dreames, and euill fantasies. If in þ
thirde ioynt there be a crosse, it is a sure
igne of pouercie and necessity. And this
is sufficient of Mercury, although the fi-
gure doe not containe all the signes, yet
we haue described the chielest and prin-
cipall, for who can comprehend so ma-
ny sortes of lines and tokenes of so dyuers
dispositions in so small a rone. We

haue left nothing out in the
cannon or rule, which
might be to any ef-
fect or pur-
pose.

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The xii. Chapter of the vtter
part of the triangle, and of them
ouer whom the Moone hath
power and Dominion.



Fist of all I will declare what the Chiromancers call the vtter part of y triangle, it is the same which by the common name is called the line of the stomach or liver, which rising at the eage of the line of life touching the meane naturall, maketh a triangle, ys there be no let in the nativitie. Albeit, I knowe in some it doth not ioyne, yet it is not to be left out, for it is found to bee of as much force as all the other, for ys it make a perfitt triangle with y meane naturall & line of life: it sheweth the florishing health & prosperity both of bodye &

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There be also certaine tokens, wher
of the first in the first ioynt doth declare
a man to be studious, chieflye of Retho-
ricke, arrogant, proude, and of a ryue
wit. That in the second ioynt althoough
it vary from the first, yet hath it the same
effect, sheweth an excellent Preacher
or Oratour, if it stand ouerthwate: he is
troubled with sundrye passions, heire-
ble dreames, and euill fantasies. If in y
thirde ioynt there be a crosse, it is a sure
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gure doe not containe all the signes, yet
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cipall, for who can comprehend so ma-
ny sores of lines and tokens of so dyuers
dispositions in so small a ronne. We

haue left nothing out in the
cannon or rule, which
might be to any ef-
fect or pur-
pose.

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The xiij. Chapter of the vitter
part of the triangle, and of them
ouer whom the *Moone* hath
power and Dominion.



Firſt of all I will declare what the Chiromancers call the vitter part of y triangle, it is the ſame which by the common name is called the line of the ſtomack or liuer, which riſing at the taile of the line of life touching the meane naturall, maketh a triangle, yf there be na let in che nativitie. Albeit, I knowe in ſome it doth not ioyne, yet it is not to be leſt out, for it is found to bee of as much force as all the other, for yf it make a perfit triangle with y meane naturall & line of life: it ſheweth che floþing health & proſperity both of hooþe &

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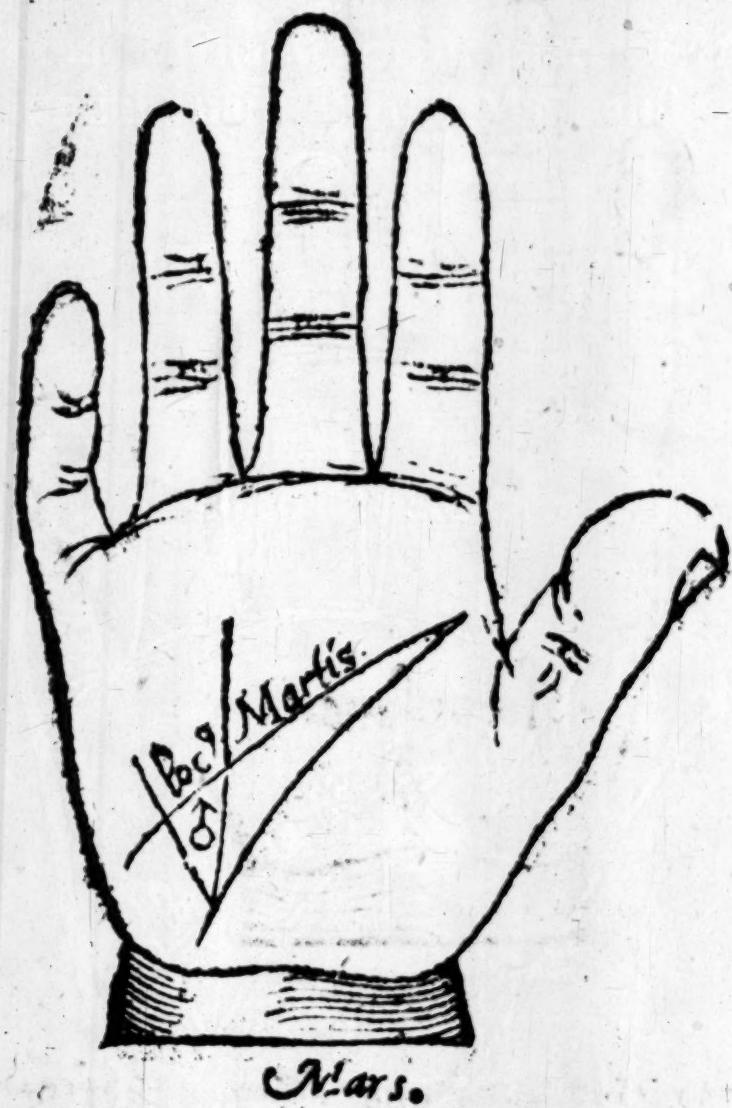
mind. If it happen to be darke coloured
& full of points: it sheweth the ill digesti-
on of the stomacke, morphew, collicke,
flegme, binding of the belly, paine of the
stomacke and ribbes, and specially if it
be pale. But if it be well drawen, rudi-
die, nearer the line of life then the middle
naturall: it betokeneth paine in the head,
if contrariwise, it bee nearer the myddie
naturall, it signifieth the inflamacion of
the lungs, answed with a feruent ague,
the cough, and stinke of the mouth. Also,
such a circle in the place of the Mone, ☩
although it seeme to bee but a rest, yet it
betokeneth the losse of one eye, if there be
two ☩, the losse of both eyes, whiche
thinge I haue prooued true by my owne
hurt. Likewise a star in the same place,
signifieth a wicked and mischievous man.
If you desire to knowe the Phisickes of
the lunaticke, they be whitly faced with
some red, their browes ioyned together,
their face and cheekes blowen, unequall
eyed, somwhat black, peraduenture mar-
ked in the face, bathristy, sickly, unstable
flow, folish, poore in youth, in the second
age

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age richer somewhat. But in therreme
age miserable againe, doting, unfor-
tunate, and borne to trauaile, given to the
fallinge sickenesse and Palsie, to the
fire and blasting, except the Moone in
the roote of Na: iuity haue the Sunne or
Jupiter propice and in amity with her.

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The xliii. Chapter of the place of Mars
and the nature of the Martialisles.



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We thought it meet before we spake
of Mars, to place him in the caue of
the hand in the triangle, ouer against the
natural line: in the which if there appere
ano: her perfitt triangle according all the
naturall properties of þ Martialis: you
may prognosticate, that by how much þ
same is larger & bigger, the man is to be
judged the more vicious. And specially
if it be well proportioned with the lynes.
The Phisnomy herein is not to be dispre-
sed, which I haue therefore adiuncted be-
cause it shold help the Chiromancier þ
better in iudgiment, otherwise it cannot
be so ex actly iudged. They be hie colored
in the face, as burne of the Sunne,
thynne haired and curled, small eyes,
somewhat crooked bodied, with a sharpe
and fierce aspect, boulde, couetous, dis-
ceitfull, a briber, vnsaithfull, a iester, vn-
shamefast, light, vncoustant, angrye,
seditious, suspicioous, impatient, a mur-
derer, a boaster, a mocker, perjured, and
a counterfeiter of all thinges, that
may be counterfeited.

The Conclusion of this worke of
Chiromancy.

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Chiromanticall prognosticati-
ons or manuall diuinations, ac-
cording to the places of the vii.
Planets.

BESIDES the Carecters & lines whiche
are commonalye in he Hanre, there
dooth often appeare straunge notes and
markes, which betoken some great by-
knowen thinge, wherefore our intente
now is to shewe their effect & meaning.
Wee haue shewed before the natures of
the signes, and what Planet is Lord of
euery man, nowe wee will attempte to
knowe what suspecte tokenes bee in the
Planets: I meane not those in the
heauens, but their carecters
which be in the fingers,
of what force
they be.

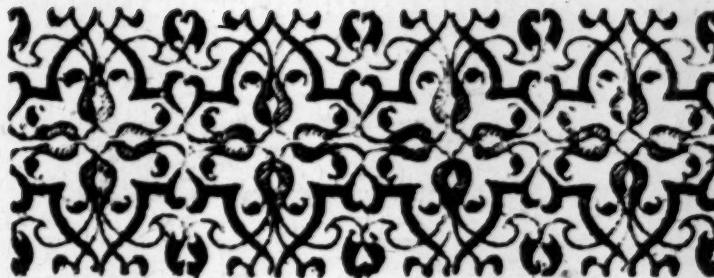
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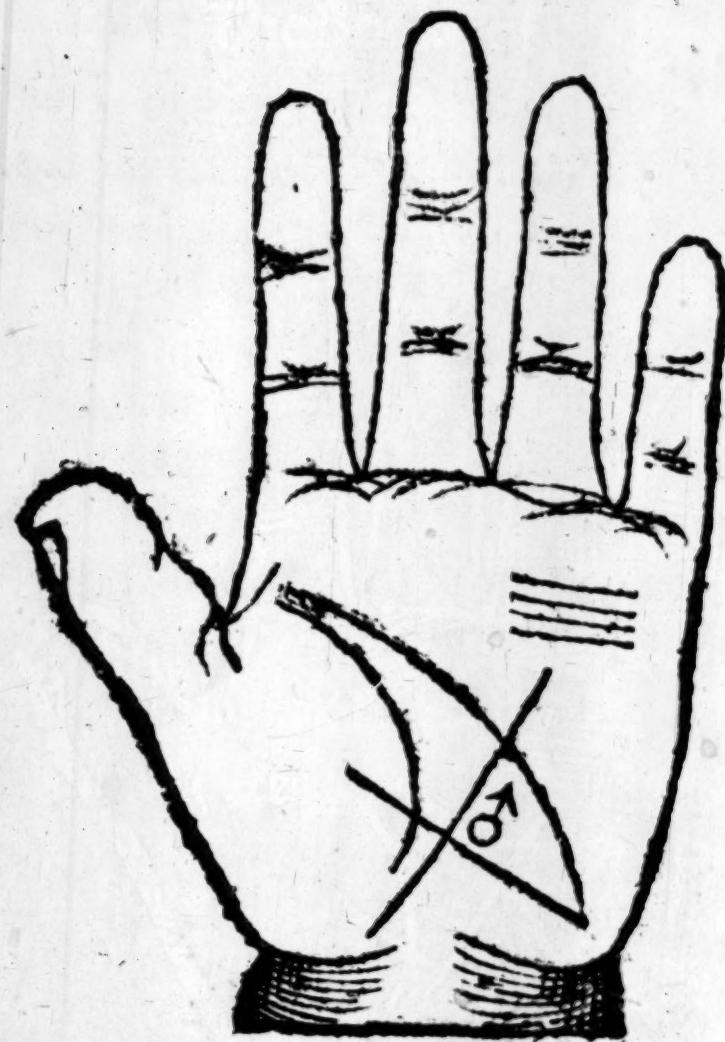
Of the place of Mars.

The place of Mars is in þ triangle, wherefore if you perceue or synde such a marke or signe drawen in this sorte in the triangle, iudge that man to be a Martialist, and that hee shall bee hanged. The other three markes ouer against the table of the hand : signifieth boldnesse, stubbernesse, seueritie, waging of his patrionie and inheritance, with oppression of his friends and kinssfolks.

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Of the finger of Venus.

Venus doth possesse the Thonne & the
hill thereof, whiche for the plainesse
of it, is called the hill of Venus, if there be
in the first ioynt such a marke, they shall
prosper in all their affaires. In the se-
cond

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conoynt, it betokeneth pouertie, and
where the naide, that he shal haue a lea-
prous childe, or else in the place of Ve-
nus, it sheweth a venorous man, giuen
to incest and aduoutrie, and speci-
ally if the markes bee in
the hill.



The Booke of
Of the finger of Iupiter.

Jupiter hath also his proper markes,
who possesteth the forefinger, as is here
prescribed, in the first ioynt they signifie
an aduouterer, and in chupper ioynts ri-
ches, & specially in age. The other signs
for the most part betoken no ill.



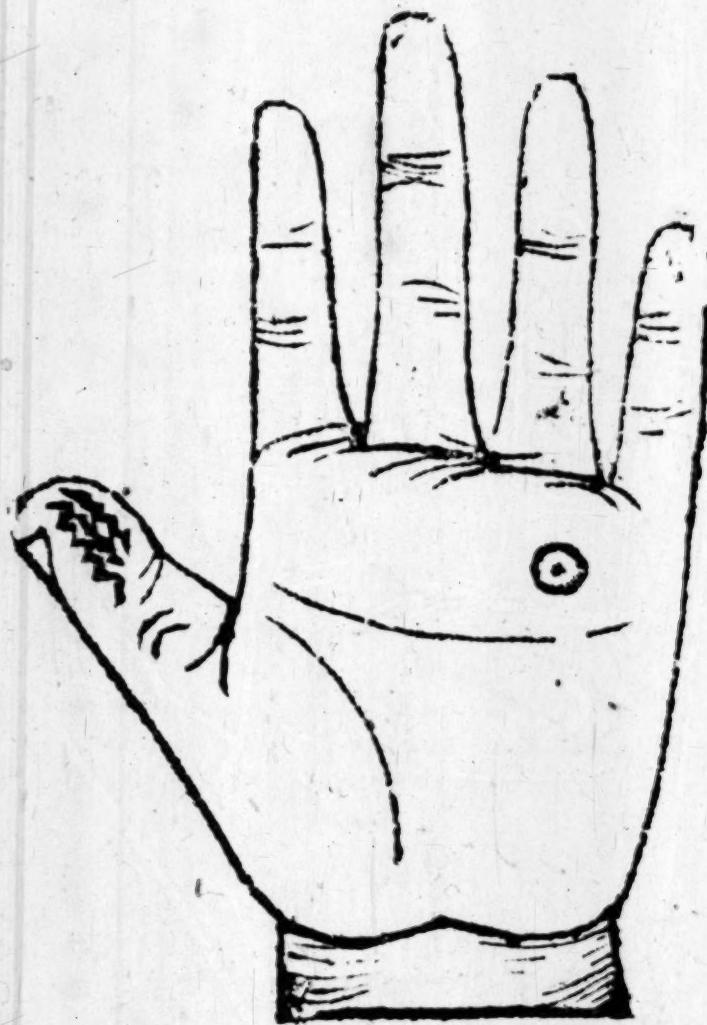
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Of the finger of Satyrne.

SAturne the highest amōg them, keperh
the middle finger with his priuate cha-
rectes here described, which declare a sa-
turnine mā, whose nature you may part-
ly gather by þ which is aforesaid, & part-
ly we wil define more at larg hereafter.



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Of the finger of the Sunne.

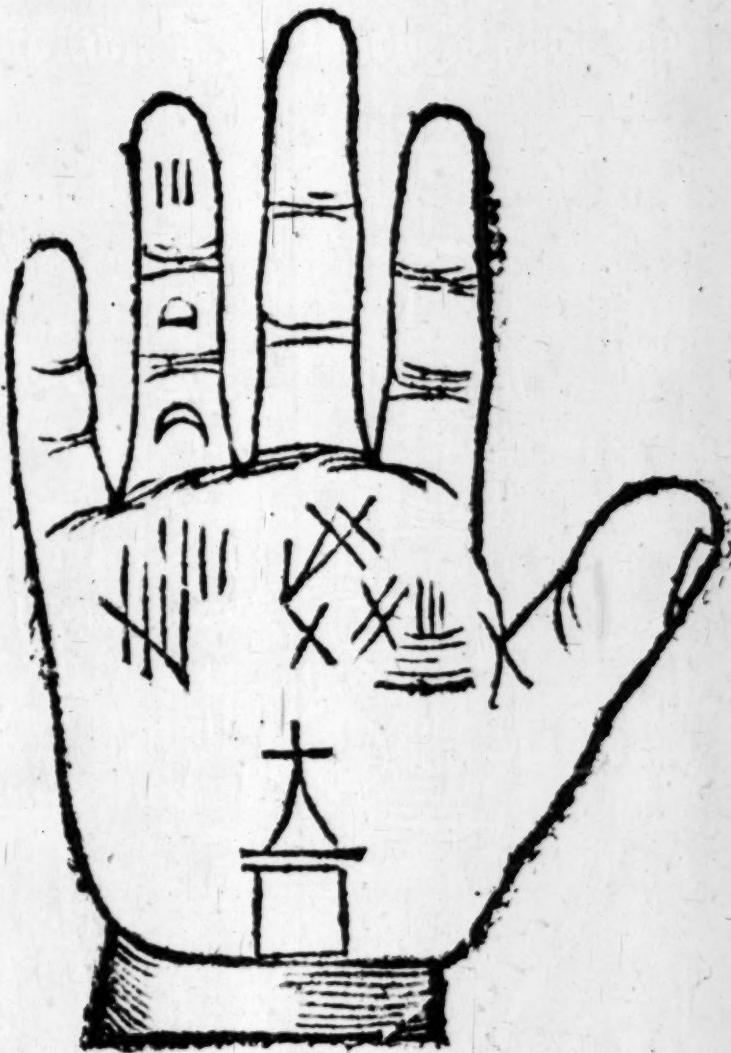
A Line portured in this sorte apperas
ring in the ring finger, called pro
perly the finger of the Sunne, signifieth
long life and prosperite, all other appa
rances are tokens of euill.



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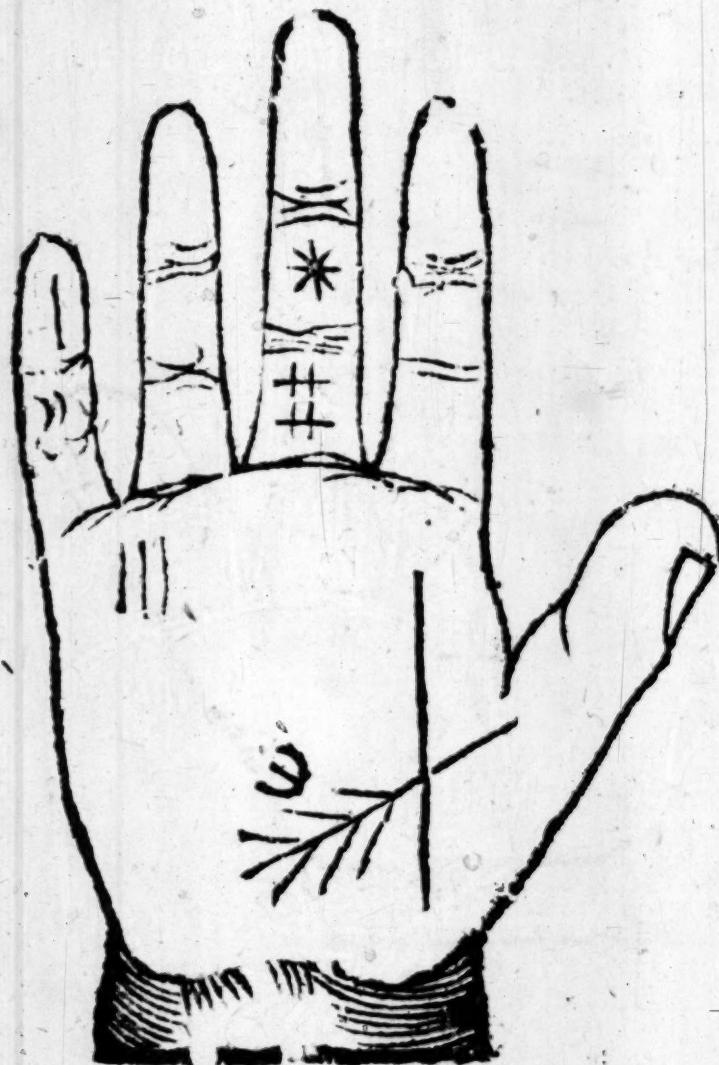
Of i he finger of Mercury.

They haue appoynted unto Mercurye
the little finger wiche certaine lynes,
whereby you may perceiue and know a
Mercuriall here briefly exprested, they be-
oken benefites or offices, all other sig-
nifie sadnesse, melancholy, and heauinesse.



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Of the forepart of the Moone.

The place of the Moone i s in the Pa-
nell of the hand. Wherfore if thou
perceiue the lines heere described rysing
from the wwest: it sheweth sluggishnes,
in the place of Jupiter dulnesse and foo-
lishnes, and specially in women, whiche
by nature are not very wise,



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The conclusion.

Y DU haue hearde (deare Reader) the
signes and markes of the planets, by
the which without Astrology you may
learne and knowe unto what p'lanet euer
rye maner is subiect, desiring you to
take this our Treatise in goed worth, &
to make a profe thereof with labour and
diligence, least that we may bee thought
hercyn to haue spent our time and labour
in vaine. There lacketh but only iudg-
ment, the labour of paine is nothinge :
so so much as the whole effect may bee
understoode and knownen by once
or twice reading at the
most,

Fare ye well.

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The second Booke entreateth
of an Epiloge, or briefe collection
of the whole summe of the art of *Phisi-
ognosy*. By the which you may vnder-
stand and perceiue, what euery mem-
ber from the crowne of the head, to the
sole of the foot, doth signifie and meane.
Also a briefe introduction vpon the Fa-
ces of the signes, with certaine can-
mons and rules, vpon sicknes &
diseases. And first to begin
with the *Eyes*.

The Eyes therefore being moiste &
cleare, sheweth mirth, good man-
uers, and an honest life, declining
and looking downeward, red, and
very great, betokeneth gluttony, & flesh-
ly lust. Small hollow eyes, couetous-
nesse. Gray eyes an evill man: hollow
eyes, a crafty man, wauering, unstable
eyes, declare a seditious, suspiciois, un-
faithful baaster. Great eyes slouth, trem-
bling eies sluggishnes, glistering eies be-
taken drunkennes, small vnshamefastnes,
diuers colored & small, signifieth crafty
flattering. Turning towarde the nose,
betor-

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Detokeneth lecherous men. Great dropp-
ing eies with an vnstable countenance,
mad men. Dry eyes, crafty men. Black
cleare eyes, iust, witty, libidinous, & fun-
ning. The circie of the ball green: decla-
reth a crafty wicked man and a theefe.
Moist eyes stoutnes of stomacke, perfect
speach & good counsell. Great glistering
eyes shew mad men, light, and gluttons.
Croked hollow and dry eyes, declare un-
faithfull and traiterous persons. High
eyes, large, cleare, pure, & moist: are tokenes
of circumspect, diligent persons, &
louers. Alwaies running and dropping
without cause of sicknes, declareth foo-
lishnes. Hasty dry eyes, unfaithfull men.
Large eies glistering, moist, & cleare: sig-
nifieth witty & high men, violent stout, &
boasters. Blacke & shining eyes fearful
& euill men. Swelling eyes and raw:
sheweth gluttons and unamiable men.
Smal & hollow eyes, couetous, disceit-
ful men. Cherefull eies betoken iust men
prone to laughter, gentle, & holy. Moist
eyes, good counsell. Winking eies, a theefe
and a lyer in wait. Bleared eyes, libidi-

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mens men. Upright browes, amiable,
the browes hanginge oner effeminacie
playng with the bries: signifieth adulce-
rous persons.

The forehcad narrow, sheweth a foo-
lish person, long, one apt to learne. A hie
forehead swelling and round, is a signe
of a crafty man & a coward. Full of wrin-
gles, ful of care, round, envious & crafty.
A large forehead betokeneth a liberall
man. The browes heary, signifieth stut-
ting: & being extent to the temples vacan-
tynes.

The face plaine and flat, declareth a
man full of debate and strife, without a-
ny rising or swelling: iniurious, and an
uncleane person. A leane face is a token
of a wise man. A fleshy face one apt to
learne. A sad face sheweth sometime fo-
lishnesse, sometime wisedome.

Open eares betokeneth a man with-
out reason or understanding great eares
an unwise man, smale eares a sole, square
eares a learned and wise man.

A sharpe nose sheweth an angrye per-
son, thick and low, euill manners. The
nose tending or stretching to the mouth,
declareth

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declareth honestie, strength and apt to learning. A great nose good, a little nose a disceitful person. A nose like an ape, betokeneth a libidinous & riotous person.

The nose thrilles thicke and stronge, betokeneth strenght: round, feare, drawē in legh, mery & coragious: y nose thrills narrow and round are tokenes of a foole.

A bigge mouth sheweth a boulde and hardy warisour. The mouth very bigge with the vpper lippe hanging ouer: signifieth a glutton and an ungodly manne, a babler, rash, foolish, and unstedfast.

Slender, thinne, and subtile lips, betoken eloquence, but thy n lips with a little mouth, an effeminate perso. Fleshy lips a foole. And they whose dogge teethe doe beare out their lippes, are to be counted contumelious, slauderers, & unfaithfull. A sharp throt bole signifieth a vain iester

A long slender necke declareth a fearefull euill manered man: thick and long, a furious, feareful, and stubburne person.

A meane necke, a strong and vertuous man, and apt to learning. A thick necke sheweth rude, barbarous, and ungentle

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persons. Sharpe neck a slaunderous person. A shorte neck a hnes. A crooked neck a couetous man. The neck turned to the right side: sheweth a cōperat man. Turned to y left side, a boozmaister, & a toole. A great brest is alway praised. A large brest doth represent Magnanimitie, boldnesse, and honestie. A litle brest a tearefull person. Purfy or grosse brest, an vngentle and cruell man.

The pappes hanging downe from the brest doe shew a violent man.

A great belly declareth an undiscrate foolish man, proud, and riotous. A lanke belly with a bigge breste, a man of vnderstanding and counsell.

A broad backe declareth gentlenesse. The meane proportion both of the backe and brest, is alwaye commendable: a crooked backe is token of a nigarde, and couetous person.

Very long armes are signe of boldnes honestie, and strengthe, shert armes a sower of discord and riot.

The handes very short doth signify a grosse & rude person, fat and fleshy wryt

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the fingers likewise inclyned to thesse
Smal hands crafty men.
The feet full of flesh declareth folishnes.
Small and slender feete hardnesse.

Slender leggs shew ignorant grosse
legges, boldnes. & strength. Large and
full of sinnows, fortitude, & strenght. Short
& fat leggs, ciuitiy. Crooked & hollowe in-
ward, is a token of very ill men. Soft &
swelling leggs, euill maundered men.

The shinne grosse and shorte with a
sharpe heele and fat thighes, doe pro-
gnosticate madnesse or frensie to come or
happen to that party.

Thus haue you here these briefe intro-
duccions to this art of Phisiognomy, by
the which a man may iudge the disposi-
tions of other. Following herein Aristotle and Valla, who did the like, by whose
helpe we haue performed herein that we
may or can. Wherfore, if any man will
slander vs, let him know that we haue
not written any commentaries, but
a compendious treatise of this
science, and thus
an ende.

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Briefe introductions vpon the
Faces of the signes, what effect
the Sunne doth worke in euery
house or man-
fion.



Now that wee haue fully pro-
posed and also determined
as well, to instruct, as to in-
duce and allure ch^e studious
and desirous, to the studye &
knowledgē of Astrologye, and that there
be many things to be obserued and mar-
ked therein, as the situation and placing
of the houses, and the iudgements of the
Horoscope : we thinke nowe only to re-
mayne necessarie to intreate or speake of
the faces or triplicities of the signes, and
of their work and effect in euery degree.
For the Sunne and euerye other Planet
haue diuers and sundry effectes in each
degree & face, working one thinge in the
first triplicity, another in the second, and
a farre different and contrary operation
in the thirde face. The which that you
may the better understand, euery signe
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is dyuided into thirtē degrees. The same thirtē being parted againe into 3 parts, þ first part or order to ten, both make the first face or triplicite, & all which com- meth betwene ten & twenty, is attribute to the second: & that which remaineth to the thirtē degree, is added to the thirde face. And in this māer must you diuide al the other signes: & these degrees as they increase in number, so do they in force & strength. So towarde the ende they bee of lesse power then they were in the be- ginning or middest of the triplicite, and spacially in the last faces or triplicities. These notes and others wee have brief- ly drawen or taken out of Abraham, Haly, Alcabitus, Firmicus, and such o- thers. Wherefore, if anye Zoylus or en- vious person will obiect or demaunde why wee toyne these thinges to our doo- ings: wee answere that those learned men dyd not fully and distinctly write the whole effects, which a perfect Astro- logitian might altogether doe. But ra- ther to admonishe their owne Disci- ples and schollers then to teache others.

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And these thinges thus beeynge touched,
we will proceede to speake of Aries.

The Sunne in the first face of Aries V.

The Sunne in Aries which is y^e first
and principall signe , amongst the
twelue, and in the first ten degrees
of the same , dooth commonlye make
those which bee then borne , red colou-
red, small visaged, lanke and slender bea-
lied, and leane, marked in the left foote
or elbow, hauing manye friendes , ha-
ting euill, and louing all that is good.

In the second face which is from the
tenth degree of Aries, to the twenty degree
of the same, it maketh them blacke co-
lored, the whiche blacknes is not reputed
as any vice or deformity, but for a come-
linesse and great ciuilicie. They be also
of a meane ciuity, angry, suspitious, dis-
ceitefull, and harty, compassed and be-
set with many enimies, which shall pur-
sue hym even unto death.

In the thirde face it maketh them of-
tentimes red, inclining to a saffro colour
solitary, and deuising crafts & deceipts.

The Sunne in the first face of Taurus O.

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Maketh them that bee borne apt or dy-
ligent, great eyed, and great lips: mar-
ked in the necke, but very mery, and al-
wayes occupied in riot and banqueting.

In the second face, it maketh the wan-
ton and riotous (but not so muche as in
the first face) runners about countreys,
and wasted fast.

In the thirde face it causeth a colder
complexion because of Saturne whiche
doth possesse this last face, and bringeth
the parues or diseases of the eares, belly,
and thighes.

The Sunne in the first face of

Gemini II.

Whosoeuer happeneth to be borne the
Sunne beeing in the first face of Ge-
mini, is for the most part of a meane sta-
ture, well bodied, every member decent-
ly compact, marked in y head or knees,
gentle and painfull, unfortunate through
women, and commonly without issue.

In the second face ic doth minishe the
stature, adding blacknes of colour; mar-
ked in the elbow or priue members, and
that which seemeth to bee diminished or
wan-

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Wanting in other partes, is repayred
and fulfilled with eloquence.

In the declination of the thirde face,
it maketh them to decrease in honestye
and the due proportion of the members,
making them foolish, and inuerters and
spreaders abrod of iests & vaine trifles.

The Sunne in Cancer ☌.

They which are borne in the first ten
degrees of Cancer, are comely both
of body and heire, nai row browes,
quicke and pregnant witted, marked in
the righte arme and thighes, hauinge a
good spirite and disposition, and plentye
of frinds.

In the second face redde heires, short
stature without any beardt, and marked
in the eyes.

In the third face it maketh the grosse
and dull, with heiry browes, ful of pitch,
and as it were blowen or puffed vp in the
Face.

The Sunne in Leo ♈.

So in the first face of Leo, is the gift of
life, and it maketh the of a smal come-
by body, reddy colored, mixed with some
white

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white, rouling eyes, straight body, full of diseases in their feete, & specially in age: famous and notable, simple and beloued of the kings, and rulers of the earth.

In the second face it maketh the large breasted, the stonnes and priuie members, slender, harty and honourable.

In the third face short of stature, rose coloured, mixed with white, vexed with much sicknesse, a whoremonger, and louer of women,

The Sunne in Virgo.

The Sunne possessing the first face of Virgo, causeth a comelye stature, high & tall body, a faire face, witty, prudent & quicke curled heire, a playere of Instruments, with a quicke and shrill voice, learned in many sciences, but unfertill and barren in hauing or bringing forth of children.

In the second face it maketh them likewise comly coutenanced, smale eies, faire nose, religious, learned, honest, without blame or reproch, & desirous of praise.

Under the third face, simple, faire, apt, witty, prudent and good.

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The Sunne in the first face of Libra.

BEEING a signe of a manly shape of forme, causeth a faire face, a simple, painfull and modest person, whiche shall bee wounded in the head.

In the second face it maketh likewise a faire face, but blere eied, or squint eied, for they shall haue same default in them.

In the thirde face it maketh them honorable, reverent, and comely : in the ende of this face it maketh them oftentimes of both kinnes, and let them take heed they take no venomous thing.

The Sunne in Scorpio III.

CAUSETH them which are borne to bee euill fauored, marked in the head or sholders, or in the left fote or arme, large breasted, mery, & plesant in giuing checks or taunts, sober and discrete.

In the second face, it causeth a great head, and a great babler, marked in the knees or backe.

And vnder the third face maketh a smal and little stature: gogle eyed, a glutton or great eater, and a hoxemonger.

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The Sunne in Sagittarius ☶.

Make them of a comely countenance and tall stature, belonging to the Court, studious and desirous of good things.

Under the second face it causeth a comly and faire countenance & stature, inclined to a saffron colour, thin browes, and marked in the brest.

In the third face tall and comely, large & big breasted, marked in the brest, & foot.

The Sunne in Capricorne ♑.

Make oftentimes a large brest, a tender and soft person, of a competent stature, but somewhat black colour'd, marked in the elbow of brest, crafty.

In the second face faire, marked in y leſt arme, but if the nativity be by night, it makerh them malicious, long nosed, and quicke witted.

In the third face it causeth a comely body, a citrine face, marked in the arme or knee, angrye, louely, and a lover of women.

The Sunne in the first face of Aquarius. ♒

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The Sunne in the first face of Aquarius maketh a comely body & face, marked in the brest or left sore, also benigne, easie and gentle to bee spoken too, tractable & familiar amongst men.

Under the second face, it maketh them very long red face, marked in the back or elbow, endomaged with many vexations and tribulations.

In the thirde face it causeth a shorte stature, a rose colored countenance marked vnder the elbow: and a loner of women: but if it happen him to be borne in the last degree, he shall not only be different & contrary disposed in the proportion of the bodye, but in all his actions & doings.

The Sunne being found in Pisces X.

Causeth a soft body, white, bigg brest, comly berd, faire soreshed, clereskin, large & faire eyes, full of flesh, & honest.

In the second face, an equal and shorte stature, blacke beard, thin heire, nymphle and mery.

In the third face it maketh the comely and decent in al members, and giueth also

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also clearenes of sound or voice.

This also we haue iudged worthy to be noted and marked, that in artificiall Astrology there bee certayne formes or signes, which doe cause greatnesse or bignesse, as Leo, Virgo, Sagittarius: and certayne which cause diuination, or making lesse, as Pisces, Cancer, Capricorn.

The beginninges also of Aries, Leo, and Taurus, doe cause bodies to tende to grossenesse and strength, the endes of the same, do contrariwise cause leanness, slendernesse, and debilitie: likewise the beginniges of Gemini, Scorpio, and Sagittarius, cause leanness and debilitie, and the endes of the same, grossnes, and strength, but Virgo, Libra, & Sagittarius cause equalitie and good proportion. Taurus, Scorpio, and Pisces, as Halyea writeth, doe moanke and cause divers & unquall proportion of the body.

For they which are borne in the daye, are clearer then they whiche are borne in the nyghte: For the nyghte dooche helpe the planettes, signifying obscurtie and blackenesse. Also the Moone in

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coniunction with Mercury, in the houſe
of Markeſie, and not being ascendent:
cauſeth the falling ſickenesie, and ſpe-
cially yf Saturne bee in any angle in the
day birth: or Mars in the nighte by þe.
Also Saturnus in any of the angles, ey-
ther in the nighte or day birth, cauſeth
madneſſe, and ſpeciallye when Cancer
Virgo or Pifces, are founde in any of the
angles. Moreouer, Saturne in the houses
of the lightes: that is to ſay, the Sunne or
Moone, which are Cancer & Leo, if it be-
tokeneþ the paſſion or hurt of the eye.

These ſignes, Aries, Cancer, Scorpio,
Capricorne, & Pifces: do ſignify & cauſe
biles, leproſy, red ſpots, iſches, ſcurfes,
deafneſſe, ſtutting, baldneſſe, and a
ſmall beard.

Cancer, Scorpio, and Pifces, are ſignes
of many ſounes or men Childeſon. Also
these ſignes betoken the honeſty of Wo-
men, their religion and puriuitie of lyfe,
Taurus, Leo, Aquarius.

These ſignes haue reaſon & are caſted
reaſonable ſignes, Gemini, Virgo, Libra
the firſt part of Sagittarius & al Aquarius.

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Signes moving to anger and Sharp-
nesse, are Aries, Leo, and Scorpio.

Monocauer, Gemini, Virgo, and Libra,
caule gret, loude, & shill voices, Cancer,
Scorpio, and Pisces, are dumbe, & with-
out voice or sound.

There be thice planets which do glue
riches : that is to saye, Jupiter, the Sunne
and Venus. The Sunne also gluereth wis-
dome, Mercury eloquence, and Venus
goodly bicerance or pronunciation.

There be also three signes oxiental of
the ast. Aries is the heart of the ast. Leo
the second triplicite and the left part of
the ast, & Sagittarius his right part or side
Capricorne is the heart of the Souche,
Taurus the left side, & Virgo the iughte.
Libra is the heart of the West. Aquarius
the left side, and Gemini the right.

Cancer is the heart of the North, Scor-
pio his lesser part, and laste of all Pisces
his rihgte side.

Therefore, if you will know to what
ende chys respectie or disposition of the
signes to th prolong or at ayne, you shall
briely heare. We haue said there bee 3.

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Signes oriental, or of the east, threē meridionall, threē pertaining to the North, & threē to the West. The oriental signes profite vs if that they rising, & the sunne being in them, we order & direct all our doinges to that coast, part, or place.

As if thou wil leade an healthfull life, slepe quietly, prosper in children if thou be maried, or haue any thing to succeede or go forwarde, if thou wilt sell or make any bargain, or hope for any honor or gaine, or any such like: direct all your doings toward that place, in the which y signes having respect to those things, are situate or placed. So contrariwise, if that wee feare the euill successe of anye of those thinges, the contrarye signes are to bee eschewed. And in this sort may you iudge of the other signes. Also we haue made a larger description hereof, whereas we make mencion of the qualtie and nature of the houses. Thus haue we heere no lesse copioulye then brieslye discribed the nature of the faces of the signes, neither doe I perceave how they coulde more compendiouslye haue beene tol-

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touched, not iudging it of great effect to haue taried long herein with greate circumstances. Albeit they be necessary unto Astrology, yet are they (not of such force that as is saide in the Proverbe. boch shipp, and helme were to be committed unto them) so that the whale rule and gouernance of Astrology did depēd on them. For as they cannot well bee left unknownen, yet are they with such a moderation to bee learned and vnderstoode, that vpon the knowledge of them a man oughte not to iudge hymselfe by and by an Astronomer. Wherefore, whosoeuer thou art that seemest to be prop̄se or apte to this science, I warne thee to vs moderation, and to do nothing rashly, neither vnaudisidly to give iudgement of any man his nativitie. There are so many things whereby wee may be deceived, as the wisedome & circum-spection of the man, the despensation of God, and our uncertaine iudgement.

As for example, it may be that a man borne vnder Aries, bee very fierce and angry, who waryng with himselfe the

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foulnes of the vice, doth moderate & sup-
prese his anger. If I then should iudge
this man an angrye or cestic man, who
would not mocke mee and laugh mee to
scorne, albeit nature and destynye do in-
cline ther cum: yet notwithstandinge
the sentence and iudgemente is so to vise
tempered and ruled, that without per-
fect respect l gto a' l things, thou vicer
nothing rashly. The which if you do not
take herde of, bee assured you shall vey-
ther prognosticate or forgeshe we anye
truth: but also because a mocking stock
to all men. And this I doe every where
admonishe you of, because I haue kno-
wen many to haue erred and been foully
deceiued: who thikking themselves
sure, haue be vs as they say) sic-
tene foote off from the bo-
marke of Pzirke,

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Certaine canons or rules vpon sicknesse or diseases , by what
meanes the patientes, may bee cured
and holpen by the aspect of
the Signes.

The preface.

The foolish and vnadvised sorte of
Phisitions which in these our dayes
wee see so much to aduance them-
selves, and claime vnto themselues the
supremacy ouer vs, albeit they bee com-
maunded by their authours not to take in
hand to cure any man, without having
respect vnto the stars. So farre are they di-
stant from the true knowledgē of Phisi-
siche, which are ignorant of Astrology,
that they ought not rightly to bee called
Phisitions, but deceauers. Howbeit, it is
now come to this point, that amongest
an hundred you shall scarcely finde one,
the which can truely discerne what time
every medicine ought to be ministered.

The which is no marueil, for how can
they finde any time to bessow or occupie

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themselves in Astrology, whiche haue
no leasure to reade Galen or Hipocrates
but doe all thing a heade or vnauditedly
by certaine prescript receipts. Likewise as
there was a certaine (no simple) man at
Moguntia, whom you woulde haue iud-
ged to haue beene the third Cato, & ano-
ther Galen, yf that grauitie woulde helpe
any thing thereunto. This man beyng
moste rude and unlearned, vsed two re-
ceiptes, from whence he had drawen them
I know not. There was in them. 3. 3.
of Elleborus, or so muche Scomony, to
purge the womb. These he ministred by
coulter, without hauing respect either to
the complexion or sicknes: by the which
vaine cristles he scraped togeher so much
money, that being dead, he left behinde
him 3000 gilders. He iudged the whole
effecte of this science to consist in losynge
of the belly. Such effect hath authority
and boldnes in Physick. These sorte of
rude and grosse men the which disdayne
to learne, we will neither admonish nor
yet reduce into the right way. But vnto
others whiche intende hereafter to bee

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Phisitions, wee will prescribe certaine
rules whereby setting apart all old vain
crifles, they maye learne from aboue to
helpe the patient and diseased. For it
hath been manye times experimeted &
proned, that that which many Phisitions
coulde not cure or remedye with their
greatest and strongest medicines : the
Astronomer hath brought to passe with
one simple heare, by obseruing the mo-
ving of the signes, the whiche wee haue
wholly diuided in Canons.

The first Canon. There be 4. signes
the which beholde or gouerne the in-
ward partes of a man, the which Phisi-
tions do cal the spirituall membre. Those
are Cancer, Leo, Virgo, and Libra. Of
these Cancer beholde the Lauer, the
lunges, and the heart stringes. Leo go-
uerneth the stomacke, & the mouth ther-
of. Virgo the nether part of the stomack,
the belly, the midriffe, and the bowels,
Libra hath respect to the nether part of
the belly, the loynes, and the nauell.

The 2. Canon, Cancer whiche gouer-
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neth the Lungs, engendreth the cough,
the Pertises and Plurisse. Leo causeth
Impostumes, Jaunders, Feuers, & Pe-
stilence. Virgo the swelling of the belly,
the dropste, and hardnes of the belly, and
Collicke. Libra causeth the erulteration
of the bowels, paine in the bellpe, and
about the small of the backe: and chiefly
if the signes afor: saide happen into those
houses which are naturally euill. Such
as are the 6 house, the 8, and 12 house
from the ascendent or Horoscope.

Th: iii. Cauon. Hee which is borne
vnder Taurus for the most part shalbe in
perill by popson, witchcraft, or the Col-
lick: and specially in the fatall yeares,
which are y vi. viii. xv. i. xx. xxxiii. lxxiiii.
according to y revolution of eucry twelte
yere, beginning at the eight: yeare of the
Matiuitie. And because that Taurus doth
gouerne the throte, they do also refer vnu-
to him the squinancy & all impostumes &
biles whiche happen in the throate, the
which when the expert Phisition doothe
understand and know, let him take heed
that he minister not vnadvisedly.

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For this is almoste a generall rule, that the Sunne, or rather the Moone being in anye signe which beholdesth anye member vexed or diseased : during that revolution there bee no medicine ministred therunto, or els that it be ministred in such sorte, not to cure or heale, but to comfort and nourish, least that it decline into a worse estate, vntill such time as þ Sunne be remoued out of that signe.

The 4. Canon. They which are much vexed or troubled with the Strangullion or stone, or with anye such kinde of diseases, most commonlye are borne, the Sunne being in Aries or Gemini.

The 5. Cannon. They that haue Pisces in their ascendent, or are borne vnder Pisces, are in daunger of hooche infirmitie: as hore feuers, gnawing of the belly, and poyson, because of Libra and his Lord of the viii. house. These di' easies shall partly happen by harlotes and cuill women, and speciallye in the 44. 56. 78. yeres, in þ whiche he shal be in greate daunger of death. Wherefore, the wise Phisition oughte carefullye to obserue those

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those things. There be also certaine suitt
times & yeres of a mans life, which are
at euery seuen yeres end: so that euery se-
uench yere is perillous. Wherefore if thou
wille prolong the daies of thy life: as oftē
as thou comest to euery vii. or ix. yere, (ye
shou giue any credit to Marsilius Ficinus,
or Firmicus) diligencelye consult with an
Astronomer, from whence, and by what
meanes any perill or danger may happē
or come vnto thes, then eyther goe vnto a
Phisition, or vse discretion and tempera-
tance, and by that meanes thou maist de-
fer & prolong thy naturall ende, through
the rules of Astronomy, & the help of the
Phisition. Neither be ashamed to enquire
of the Phisition what is thy natural diet:
and of the Astronomer, what starre doth
most suppor特 & fauour thy life, and to see
in what aspecte bee is wþth the Moone.
Likewise, in the beginning of thy sick-
nes to beholde the Sunne in the day, and
the Moone in the night. They, if they
bee letted or hindred, there muste great
heed or diligence bee had upon the pa-
tient. The like is to be feared in all sick-
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nesse, when the Moone and the Lord of the ascendent be letted in the viii. house, which is called the house of deach. For in such case it is past all hope , without the great diligence and labour of the expert and wise Phisition. These and many other such like thinges, the wise and learned Phisition ought diligently to obserne and take heede unto.

The vi. Canon. Leo in the eight house engendreth to hym that is borne vnder Capricorne these kynde of diseases : that is to saye , gnawinge of the stomacke, the pluresse, the coughe , inflammation of the Liver, and impostumes of the Stomacke. Wherefore in curing or helping thereof, you must eschue Wednesday, because of II, the sixt house : Sunday, because of Ω in the viii. house & Thursday, because of Sagittarius in the xii. house.

The vii. Canon. Cancer causeth the inflammation of the lungs, with a feruent ague. The Sunne beeing in Sagittarius, engendreth likewyse the Ethica, & swelling of the lunges. But and if Saturnus be in Sagittarius, it causeth the swelling of

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of the feete, and the goue. Saturnus in
Cancer causeth the paine of the toddes,
stones and priuie membris.

The viii. Cinnen. Scorpio engendreth the gowee in the hande, the Sciatica, and sometime the paine in the heade. If Saturne be in Scorpio, it causeth also payne vnder the ankle : Wherefore let this diet be vsed, not to wash their heads vpon a Tuesday, neyther vse anye hore bashes, the Sunne being in Aries, least they fall into a continuall head ache, for that they shall bee in great daunger of frensiz or madnesse.

And for because that the euill dayes, Monethes, and yeres, are to be obseru'd and taken heede of : lette them abstayne speciallye from hacie thinges. The fortunate dayes for the cure and helpe of such as are infected with that kinde of Melancholye, are Thursday, Munday, and Sondaye. The unfortunate dayes are Tuesday and Wednesday. And for somache as Scorpio dothe beholde the priuie membris, they ought not to bee ministered unto, the Sun being in Scorpio.

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The 9. Canon. They that haue Virgo
in their Horoscope, or els are borne, vnder
Virgo, for the moste parte haue the
naturall infirmitie of the legges or feete
swollen, the legges running with co-
ruption and filchie matter, or else the eye
liddes or cheeke ful of pimples. In like-
wise greate paines in the heade through
the exhalation of humoys out of the feet
vnto the head. The whiche paines are
soon relazed and appeased by cutting the
swelling of the feete. And so muche the
rather if Saturne be in Virgo at the time
of Natiuitie. Wherfore if thou dltgētly
consider it, thou shalt perceiue and see it
to be a naturall disease, and for the most
part inciutale. And therfore only to be
auoided and put of by the naturall obser-
uation of the signes. Such ought to ab-
staine from hot houses, wherher they bee
to washe or sweate in, which if they can
not altogether eschue, let them abstaine
Tuesdapes & Saterdayes, and the euill
Monches a yeres before prescribed: be-
cause y at thos times moxe then at anye
other, they do most vehemently pour out
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their mischiefe and povson. Let them also refraine from all Aromaticall fruities.

The i. Canon. The inforumate dayes unto suche as are borne vnder Leo are Saterday and Thursday, the which thing must be taken heed of in their diet: for all sharpe and peppered meates are hurtfull to them. Moreouer they may take no drynkes or purgations. And in like case when the Sunne remooueth out of Leo, & commeth unto Capricorne or Piscis, they must abytein frō all kind of saltfish and diminution or letting of bloud.

The ii. Canon. If that an ye man chaunce to fall sicke, the Sunne being in Aries, and thou be admitted to be called for phisition: understand that he in especial engendreth the paines of the heade, and deaueness, thereof with dulnes of sight. Therfore beware that thou minister no hooce baches or stewes, because of Mars, and specially in October, whē the Sunne doth possess Scorpio, neither gyue hym in his diet any Mutton, Rammes fleshe, or Lambe, neither suffer hym to wase his heade vpon the Tuesdays, Wednesdays

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dayes, because of Mercury being Lord of Virgo in the vi. house, whereas Mars al-
so doth priuily reioyce, and Scorpio is
the eight house, for then they prolonge
sicknes, not onely because the vi. house in
mansyn of sicknesse: as also that Virgo,
is a signe colde and drye, earthly and
Melancholy; Notwithstandinge, this
hope remayneth that the patient shal not
depart. And albeit Scorpio, as is afore-
sayde, bee in the eight house which is the
mansyon of death, beecause that Mars is
Lord of the same signe, it preuaileth no-
thing; for no euill Planet is noysome or
hurtfull in his proper mansion or house:
and suche kynde of menne moost of all
shall bee withaute perill of the sworde.
Wherfore after his recouery or amende-
mente, you muste warne the Pattence
that hee do not take in hande anye tour-
ney, the Sunne beeing in Pisces, which
is the 12 house from the Horoscope.

Or else not to haue to doe with nota-
ries or scribes, grauers, or goldsmithes.
Also that hee abstaine from women, and

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horses. For by all these things infirmitie or sicknesse may happen vnto him by reason of the vi. house, which is the house of sicknesse, and chiefly in August the Sunne hauing his course in Virgo.

The 12. Canon. In like maner, the number of the yeares of the Patient are diligently to bee obserued and marked: for alwaies euery vii. and ix. yeare are mortall and deadly, and are called of the Astronomers, the perrillous tyme of a mans life at every vii. yeares end. The cause thereof, is the great mutation and chaunge of the bodies that happeneth in those yeares. For Saturne which in the other yeares is farre distane from vs, is then ioyned to the Moone, which is the lowest plannet of all. Wherefore you muste alwaies obserue in the revolution of the yearcs, the aspects of those plannets, and thereby iudge whether there bee any danger toward the Patient or not, or whether Saturne or Mars whiche also gouerneth euery ix. yeare bee in strenght or power to worke their malice

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Upon vs, or else if that any good or fauorable Planet haue the rule or dominion ouer him. And by this meanes thou shal not onely put away the sicknesse : but also through the Ingines of Astronomie defer & prolonge the fatall end and death.

The 13. Canon. Alwaies the diet of the Patient is to be enquired, secondly the Horoscope of the Partiuallie, and then by a figure erect to behold þ stars of þ planets, & by þ situation of thē in their houses to know their strenght & operation with the causes of thinfirmitie, & the lord of the birth: & so by the contrary qualities of the lignes to drive awaie the disease, as we will declare hereafter by exāples.

The 14. Canon. Furthermore, you must note and marke euery viij. day, and the courses. For therby is life or death to be looked or hoped for, but which bee those Criticall dates we haue referred to be learned of the Phisition. For as much as examples do most instruct and teach, we haue annexed one. It may happen peraduenture, that in the beginning of the sicknesse the Moone be in Aries,

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which is a hote and drye signe, & accordinge to hys nature, dothe inflame the diseases. Where thou maist admonish the sick person to be patient, and that his payne will bee delayed at the viii. day, at which time the Moone will be remoued into Cancer. For Cancer being cold and moiste, and being a quartile aspect unto Aries, except the sicknesse be very furious, will moderate the same through his coldnes and moistnes. The which thing if thou diligently attend & marke, thou shalt soon perceiue and understand. And in like sorte thou must woork by the other signes, considering how by signes of lyke nature, diseases are augmented and increased: & by the contraries, they be cured and holpen.

The 15. Cannon. In likewise the second number of dayes is to bee obserued and marked, which is the 14. day, the which dooth gyue a certayne and determinate iudgemente, by meanes of the full Moone, not so much for the Crisis as for the influence of the Moone being the in opposition. As Aries, & Libra, Taurus, and Scorpio.

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The 16 Canon. The medicines themselves haue likewise their proper signes neyther are they indifferently to bee ministered at all times. For some serue for gargles, some for Suffumigations, and other some for potions or drynks. Wherfore to auide tediousnesse, I will comprehend all these in our Cannon : The Moone being in Aries, Leo, and Sagittarius, it is good to corroborate & strengthen the vertue attractiue in a man.

Under Virgo and Taurus the vertue retentive, the digestive in Gemini, Libra and Capricorne, gargles, vomets, and Suffumigations, are to be ministered, the Moone being in Aries, and sometime ouly Gargles in Taurus, Laxatiues by drynke in Scorpio, by Electuari in ♀, by pilles (if you will) in Pisces, In Gemini, and ~~as~~ all comfortable medycines is to be received and take. In Libra or Scorpio suppositories or glisters.

The 18. Canon. In the ministring of Purgations, there is greate respect to be had unto the Moone, and her aspects.

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For she being in Cancer, and having
a trine or sextile aspect with Venus, it
is good to purge choller: having the like
aspects with the Sunne, it is good to
purge flegme: and with Jupiter Melan-
choly, either by pilles or by gobbers, cal-
led of the Phisitions Boli. But if thou
wilt purge by drynkes, vse the same as-
pects in Scorpio, and likewise in Pisces
for ministring of pilles. And if that two
Plannets at one time be in the aspects
aforesaid with the Moone, twoo purga-
tions may be taken at once. As for ex-
ample, if the Moone be at one time in a
trine or sextile aspect with Venus and
the Sunne, you may purge both Choller
and flegme together.

The 19. Canon. Such as haue in
the roote of their Matiuicie, Mars in A-
ries or on his triplicitie, are chollericke,
for the most parte in daunger of hotte fe-
uers, by abundance of Choller, Phren-
sie, Pushes, or Biles comming of bloud,
Scurup itch, Burninges, and such dy-
seases as consume and eate the flesh, the
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holye fier. The whiche diseases, if they cannot betterly be avoided and eschewed: the Phisition or Surgeon muste take oilygent heedes that he may dyeue awaie the diseases by the rules of qualities of the signes before expressed.

The 20. Canon. The like is to be vnderstoode of all those with Mercury, euill placed in the house of Mars, the whiche when thou perceiuest in anye Malitie: judge thereby hot Fevers, Pimples rysing of bloud, the Tanker, the Kings Eustill, and holye fier, darknesse of the Eyes, Suffocation, and moreouer, horriblie and fearefull thoughts and vexacions of minde. Except there come anye temperament unto the Moone, eyther in the signes or places appointed unto Venus, and specially in chollerick men.

The 22. Cannon. The infirmitie of the Phlegmaticke, are of an other sorte: for unto them happeneth most commonly the agues called Quotidians, and are much vered with cold, the which is perceived by the Urine, which for the most part is thicke and raw. Wherefore such

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muste vse exercise and laboure, and abstaine from all fat flesh and swyne fleshe, also from Cheese and Milke, and from the marrow and braines of beastes.

The 23. Cannon. Satyrne wþt he Moone engendreth the fallen sicknesse, blacke Choller, Leprosy and Fistula. Also the Morphewe, Goute, and ofte times sodaine pangs.

The which diseases when they happen are leasurelye and genclye to bee dealt withall, neither maist thou in suche case striue agaist the Planets: except the medicine bee suche as will endeuour with all force and strength, to expell and driue awaye the sicknesse, and pull it vp cleane by the roots. Also, if any man be borne, at the time of the coniunctions of the Sunne and Moone; alwaies that natilitie is iudged euill, for it maketh men when they come to age, dangerously afflicted as it were with euill spirits, to be sickly, exclined to the falling sicknesse, to madnesse, and such kinde of diseases, as maye hardly and difficultly be cured by the Phisition.

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The 24. Canon. You may also judge by the course of the Sun, the sicknesse which we are in daunger of, if that ye marke the Moneth in which the man is borne. As for example. The man boyn vnder Scorpio, shall be endamaged with the diseases of the shoulders, the gowt in the hands, and the contractib or conuulsion of the handes or fingers. If it bee a woman, it causeth the paine in the spleene and stomacke. Likewise, they which are boyn vnder Cancer, shall be vered with a oyme scuruie itch, or roughnesse of skin, biles, and pushes. The women wythe gnawing in the bowells, and perillis by waters. Taurus bringeth the infirmities about the throat, and many other veracions of the body: and specially in the euil Moneths & yeres prescribed. Also Leo causeth the paines of the stomacke. And Aquarius engendreth quotidian feuers, as we haue briefly touched before.

The 25. Canon. This is also to be noted no lesse profitable unto the sicker manne then to the Physician, that is to saye: if that the Patient haue Saturne

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or Mars in the Henench haule , it is not
conuenient to meddle, neither with Phis-
sition nor Phisicke : althoough the Lord
of the house bee never so vnfortunate, for
so Galen thoughte it meete . Also if the
Phisition be Saturnine or Martiall, such
as is the Patient : it is approued and
knowen, that these kinde of men are
borne for the destruction of mankynde.
For it is vnpossible that they shoulde e-
uer cure or helpe , or bringe anye thing
prosperously to passe , excepte perad-
uenture amongest Prophane and rusti-
call people . Suche one we haue knownen ,
a man surelye well learned, and
in greate reputation amongest Noble
men , in whom there wanted nothinge
as touchinge the Arte or Science, how-
beit beinge admitted eyther to Priestes,
Noble men , or Ecclesiasticall Rulers,
his labour and knowledge was alwaies
frustrate and iuainel , and broughte the
most part of them to thir ende: but con-
trariwise amongest the Prophane and
rude sorte , hee did cures without anye
difficultie or payne . Whereby you may
perceue

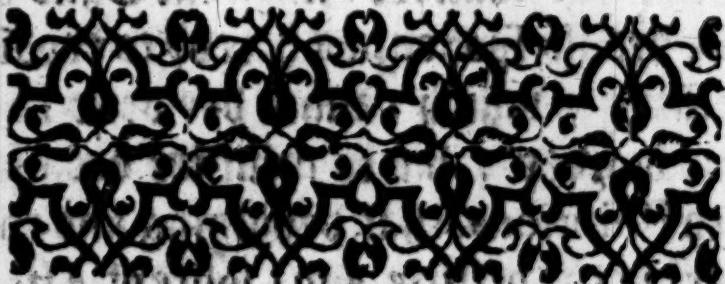
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perceyue as well in this as in all other things, of what force and strengthe the Planets are. And this dare I bee bold to professe, that whosoeuer hath Mars conayned with Venus in the vi. house, that hee shall bee an excellent Phisition. And such kinde of men ought not to giue themselves to anye other kynde of learning or knowledg. I coulde rehearse vnto certaine graue menne, Phisitions witnessesse hereof: vnto whom it is a ready and easie matter to cure and helpe: yea, euuen without any payne or labour. And agayne, other some vnto whome yt it is so difficult and harde, that wych all their possible endeouour they can scarslye bring any thing to passe, whose names we will kepe in silence, least we may seeme to backbite or slander any man. Thus we haue briefly spoken, not hereby to expoun all thinges which cannot bee done in so fewe wordes; but to minister occasion vnto Phisitions, that beholding and consideringe the vertite and profitte of Astro-nomy, they may with their whole power and endeouour embraze the same, & there-

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by learne not only the prescript rules of
men to helpe the diseased ; but also by
their owne wit and engine to put awaie
the diseases , euен without medicines.
For euery sick man is not of that sorte
that hee can haue salues or medicines.
For some by diet , and others by obser-
vations of the signes may bee cured and
holpen. Scorne vs who will, we vtterly
haue wrytten these thinges of a sincere
minde and affection, intending shortly
to set forth greater things. But first we
thought it good to declare the things in
generall : and afterwarde the summe
and effect wheron the matter
dependeth.



A Compendious descrip-
tion of Naturall Astrology, ne-
uer so briefly handled before.

Made by *John Indagine*
Priest,

First of all and chieflye, it is meete
to refell and put off the obiections
of such as obiect and say : that be-
side the Sunne and the Moone, we
attribute very little or nothinge at all to
the other Planets, but doe collocate &
sette the whole summe & power of Astro-
logie in them two only. Wherefore let
every man vnderstand & know, as much
virtue and force to bee in them twoo, as
in all the other . And that the Sunne
hath the whole power and gouernance
in the daye, and the Moone in the night,
so that it is not needfull to haue respect
to anye of the other Planets. And thys
is the onelye difference betweene natu-
rall and artificiall Astrologic, that that
thinge whiche artificiall Astrologic doth

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by the severall obseruations of euerye
Planet and Horoscope: the same doth
naturlall Astrologie bring to passe by the
onelye obseruation of the motion of the
Sunne and Moone. Or else they are so
knitte and ioyned togither, that the one
without the other cannot well bee leav-
ned or vnderstoode. Wherefore hee shali
not loose his laboure whiche shal ioyne
them bothe together, as well for the lear-
ning, as for the pleasure of them: for
the naturall hath somewhat moxe de-

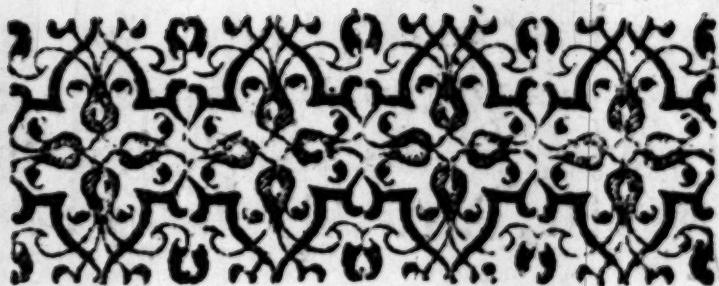
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it the other seeme the bet-

ter. But now we will

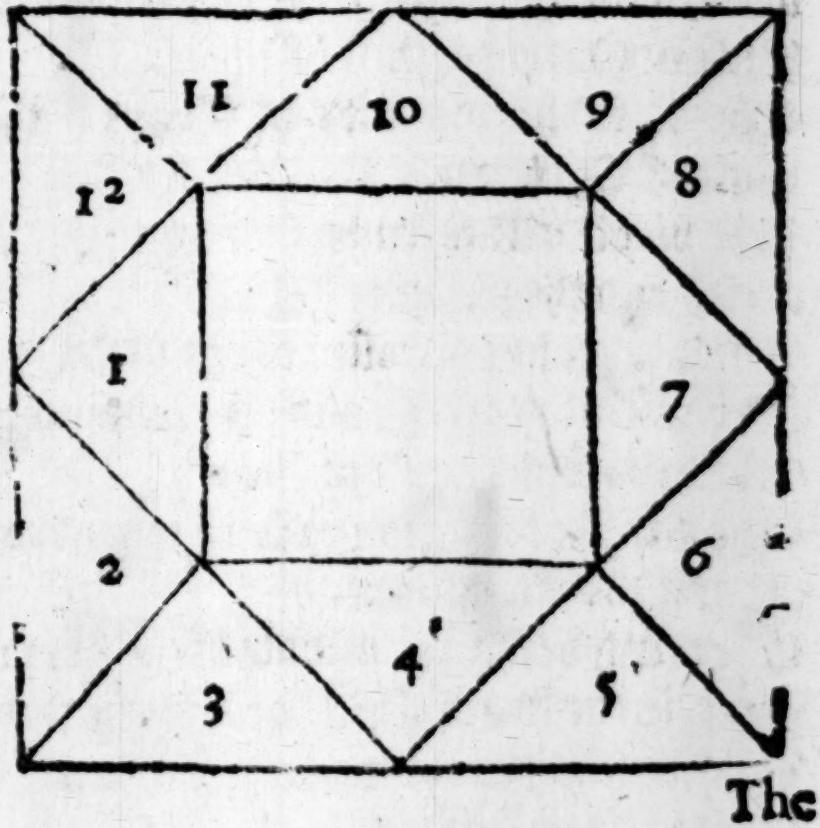
define what a

house is.



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A House is a certayn space in the firmament diuided by certain degrees, by the which the Planets haue their motion, so metaphorically called. For as in a house there be many mansions: so euerie Planet hath his proper place in the heauen or firmament, by the which they doe moue, & in the which they be resident & situate. And it is called the description or division of the signes by 30 degrees, for euery house or signe hath 30 degrees.



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The number of the Houses.

AS the Astronomers do make mention in their common Richmes, there bee xii. houses, the which we will heere ascribe with their interpretations.

The first is interpreted the house of life. The ii. the house of faculties or substance called also of thinportunity of the place, the gate of hell.

The iii. is the mancion of brethren.

The iiii. beyng the botcome of the Heauen, and the angle of the Earth, is the house of Parentage.

The v. is the pleasure of Venus, the house of Children.

The vi. of euill fortune, seruants, sickenesse, and the plesure of ♂.

The vii. beeing opposite to the firste, ys the house of mariage and open enemies.

The viii. is the house of Death.

The ninth of religion or long iourneys, the delight of the sunne.

The tenth being the middle of the firmament, is the house of rule or gouernance.

The eleuenth is the house of Fortune, þ exaltation of Jupiter,

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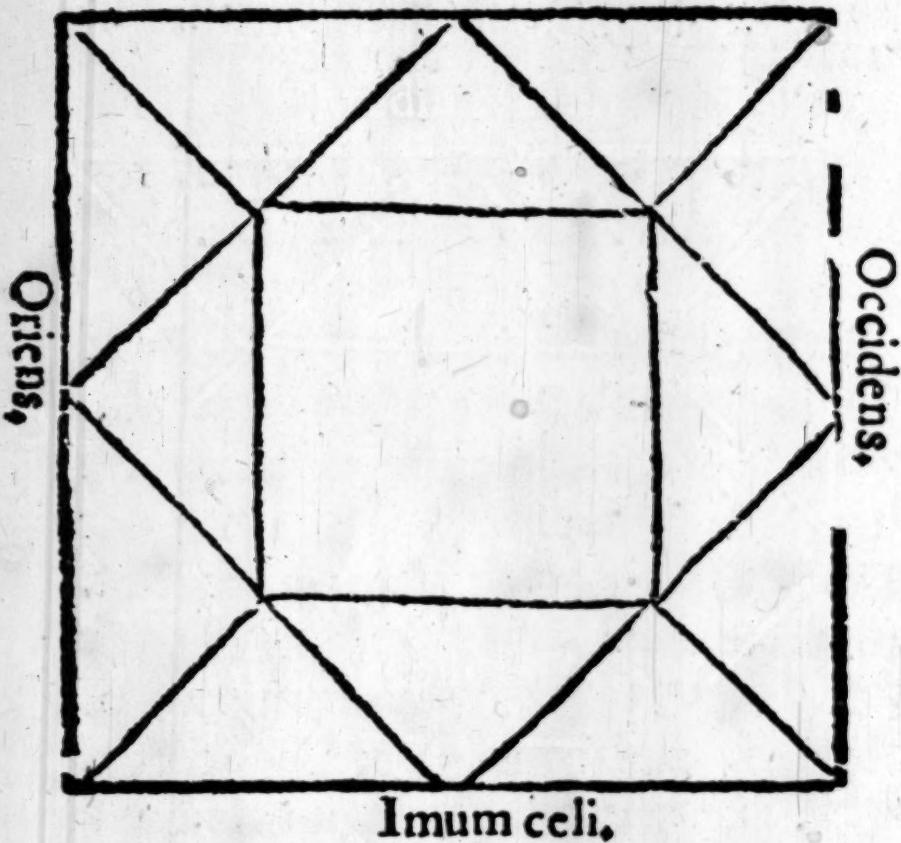
The xii. is the house of prisonz, euill fortune, the pleasure of Saturne.

Of the principall Angles or houses of the Heauen or firmament.

A Mongest these xii. there be certayne
which are called the principall An-
gles or corners of the Firmament, which
are the first, the tenth, the seaventh, the
fourth. The first is the angle of the East,
the Horoscope of the birth, and the house
of Aries. The second is the middest of
Heauen, and the house of Capricorne.
The third is the Angle of the West, and
perteyneth to Libra. The fourth of Fir-
micus is called the botome of the firma-
ment. And in these fourre almoste the
whole iudgmet doth depeade and con-
siste. For they are the principall An-
gles and houses, and the Planeteis
haue more power and strength in
them then in any of the
other.



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Imum celi.

Judge it bue superstitious vnyproficia-
bly to intreate much of the beginning
of the Natiuitie, because it doth rather
pertaine to artificiall Astrologye; as of
the fall of the seede into the wombe, and
the ascendent of the houre of the Naciuit-
ie, which (as I sayd) pertaineth to an o-
ther kinde of speculation. Our intenti-
on at this present is fully directed to the
Sunne, and the signe wherein the Sunne
is the day of Natiuite.

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For as Ptolomie is witness, there are as greate effectes and vertues in the Sunne as in all the other Planets. And those thinges which nature & long experiance hath taught vs: we will make evident unto you, letting passe all superstitious things.

Of the effectes of the Planets.

First of all it is conuenient to declare the Natures and effectes of the Planets in every house, the which although we haue suffitiently handled in our booke intituled Octocedro, yet I am nothing abashed to describe it here the secōd time.

If any man be borne betweene the x. or xi. daye of March, (when the Sunne commonly doth enter into Aries) & continueth there through three Decanes or fases, unto the x. or xi. daye of Aprill, Mars is founde Lord in the day of Natiuitie: who being by nature fierye, and Aries likewise, dooth augment and increase his heate and furse, and all other euill dispositions, more then if he had bin in an earthly or waterie signe.

Saturnus wheresoeuer he be, and spe-

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cially in the vi. viii. or xii. house, is the
autho^r of all miseries, calamities, la-
bours, and sicknesse.

Venus being temperate, causeth a man
to be a louer of women, of playes, songs
and banquettes, and all thinges percep-
ting vnto mirth.

Mercury is the minister and giuer of
wisedome and eloquence, lawes, retho-
ricke, subtle woxkes, merchandise, and
such like.

The Moone causeth madnesse, vn-
stedfastnes, moistnesse, and slouth.

Jupiter in the angles is the autho^r of
beauty, riches, hono^r, and rule.

The Sunne in the ascendent, or in the
angles maketh a great and Honourable
personage, and hadde in reputation a-
mongst Princes and great men.

The signes also causing beautye are
Gemini, Libra, Virgo, and the first part
of Sagittarius.

Workers of meane beauty, Scorpio,
Capricorne, and Pisces.

Barren signes, are Gemini, Leo, virgo.

Causinge defection or lacke of chil-
dren,

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Bren, Aries, Taurus, Libra, Sagittarius,
Capricorne, and Aquarius.

Beane and without boite, Cancer,
Scorpio, Pisces.

Ministring reason, Virgo, Libra, A-
quarius, Gemini.

The qualities of the signes I judge
are well enough knowen.

Aries, Leo, and Sagittarius, are hott
and drye.

Taurus, Virgo, Capricorne, are melanc-
cholick, colde, and dry.

Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces, are cold
moist, and waterie.

Gemini, Libra, Aquarius, are hotte,
moist, and ayre.

And thus alwaies thre signes agree-
ing in one nature, doe make a triplicitie.
And in euery Planet likewise haue cer-
taine powers and effects in their privat
or proper houses, as for example.

Aries, and Scorpio, are the houses of
Mars.

Taurus, and Libra, of Venus.

Gemini, and Virgo, of Mercury.

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Sagittarius and pisces, are the houses
of Jupiter.

Capricorne and aquarius are attribute
to Saturne.

The Sunne hath only one house which
is Leo.

The Moone possesseth also Cancer.

Euery signe hath likewise his proper
signification in the creation of the mem-
bers of mans body.

Aries hath of the bodye of man, the
head and the face.

Taurus the neck, and the throate bole.

Gemini the shoulders, armes, and
hands.

Cancer the brest, the heart, stomacke
and ribbes, spleene and lunges.

Leo the nether parte of the stomacke,
backe, and sides.

Virgo the belly or midwif, Diaphrag-
ma and bowels.

Libra the loynes, the nether parte of
the belly and ffoliell.

Scorpio the priuie members, stones,
bladder and thighes.

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Sagittarius the buttocks with the ap-
purtenāces. And Capricorne the knees.
Aquarius the leggs, Pisces the feet and
soules.

Certaine worthy notes concerning
the *Sunne* and the *Moone*.

Lest that any shoulde heerein bee de-
ceiued, we think it nat meet to be let
passe, concerning the Sun & Moone,
the which albeit they bee the chiese and
princes of the planetēs : yet are they ne-
uer Lords of the Natiuitie, as for exam-
ple. If the Moone bee in Gemini, or in
Cancer, which is her owne house, when a
childe is borne : yet shall not the Moone
haue the dominion of the Birthe, but yt
shalbe imputed to the Lord of the house
following. So likewise if a man be born
the Sunne being in Leo, which is his pro-
per house : yet he looseth the dominion of
the natiuitie, and it is deriued unto Mer-
cury beeing patronē of the next mansion
Virgo. Againe, the Moone being in Vir-
go, Venus is Lady of the birthe, because
of Libra following which is the house of
Venus. Neither is it vnyprofitable to ad-

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monish you also of this, which I perceiue
every where to be doubted of, that þ euill
planets, as Saturne and Mars, are not so
hurtfull & pernicious in their owne pro-
per houses, as they be in the mansions of
others. I will propound an ex ample of the
first signe, whereby it may appere more
evident. We will set the Sunne to bee in
the time of some nascency in Aries, whose
nature you already knowe, and what ef-
fect he worketh being in the Horoscope.
Then in the erection of the figure, ioyne
Mars with Aries beeing Lord of the
house: and thereby judge that hee which
is borne shal live long. Notwithstanding
Mars, who although he vee naught & ill,
yet doth he not so much poure out & shew
his malice being in his owne house, as if
hee were in another house, sauing that in
steede of hys by the sword, he threatneth
socaine sicknesse, because Mars being in
Scorpio, the viii. house, neyther shall
those sickenesse bring death. And this is
for an example. The like is also to be un-
derstood of Saturne, being in Capricorne
& in Aquarius. And least we may seeme
here

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here utterly to neglect artificiall Astrology, the which we do not denye, but to be requisite to the vnderstanding of the naturall: wherfore, we minding to declare the force & strenght of the signes, we wil first do it by artificiall Astrology: so that any man lacking Firmicus & his tables, hauing a plaine Astrolabe, & beholding the ascendent at the houre of the nativity, may by these smal instruccions give iudgement. And after this in order in another phrase, I wil do the same by naturall Astrology, y^e which shall help y^e artificiall.

At the first house & Horoscope in *Aries*.
If any man wil peraduenture demand what operation & effect the Horoscope in Aries doth worke in vs. First of all I admonish the^e that the stars or signes doe not prouoke or force vs to any thing, but only doth make vs prone & apt: & being so apt, they do moue & stir vs vp unto the things we are so prone vnto. Fro whose motion wee are free and out of daunger, that following the rule & gouernance of reasō, they shal haue no effect in vs. But if contrariwise we only follow our natural stinctiōn

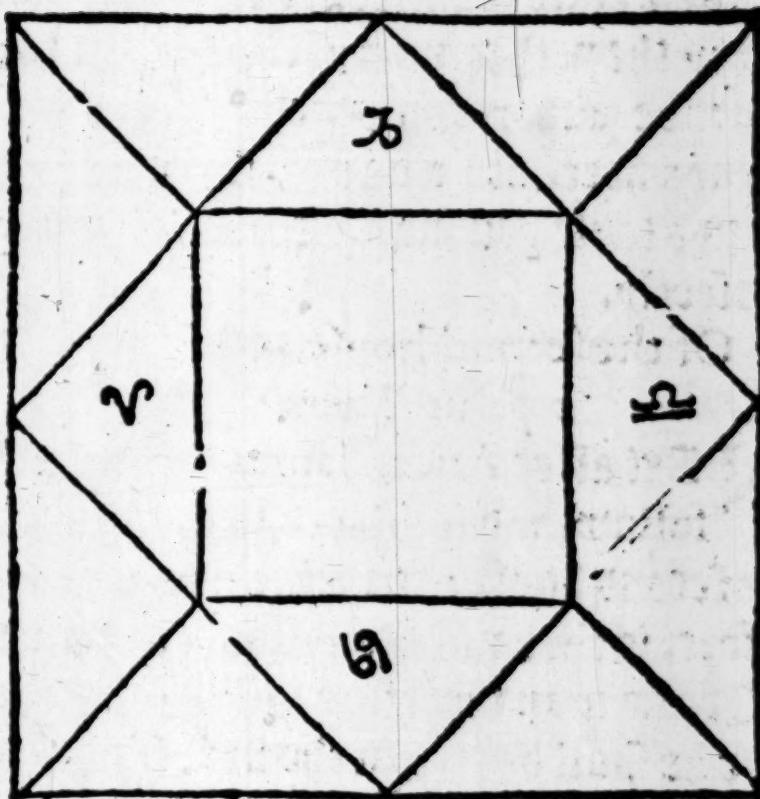
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distinction they shall woxke the same effect in vs, that they doe in a manuer in brute beasts. Wherefore, this Horoscopc makech them which are borne, florishing in youth, without brethren, or one at the most, if they be fortunate: having a inu-
cable inheritance, now gotten, now lost, and now lost, and strait recovered again, inclined to the diseases of the head rather then to any other sicknesse (because Aries hath chiefe respect to þ head.) For þ most part bestowing his laboꝝ & good will vpon unthankfull persons, & specially Aries being in the Horoscope. Next after the Horoscope, must heed be taken vnto the chiefe angles, & what signe is in ech angle, which may easily be reckoned by þ fingers, or else by a figure erect, as for ex-
ample, Aries being in the first house, Cä-
cer possesseþ the nether part of the heau-
uen, Capricorne the midſt, and Libra the
West, and now we will shew what these
principall angles do promise.

Capricorne in the midſt of the heauen
doth discerne honoꝝ, riches, promotions,
secrets of religion, and a subtle wit.

Libra

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Libra in the West sheweth the life and
courtely maners, the which life few do al-
low: for it is unconstant; casting downe
a man from honor & reputation, into in-
famie and reproch: fortune nowe flatte-
ring and laughing vpon him, and by and
by vexing him with sundry miseries and
calamities, so that he shal haue no com-
modity or gaine, without incommodity and
losse. All this shall happen throught emu-
lation or despite of his companions. But
all

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all these evils whatsoeuer they are, Can-
cer in the nether part of the heauen doth
amende and recompence. We haue
soyned hereunto a figure, by the whiche
as in a table you may perceiue all things
perfectly.

Of the second house and Horos-
cope in Taurus.

Next after Aries, Taurus doth orderly
follow, and is placed in the figure to
the second house: the which, as we sayd
before, is the house of substance or riches.

If any man therefore will know whe-
ther he shall be rich in the first, second, or
third age: let him iudge according to the
Lordes of the triplicities and their pla-
ces. Which we will do hereafter. Now
we will onely speake in generall.

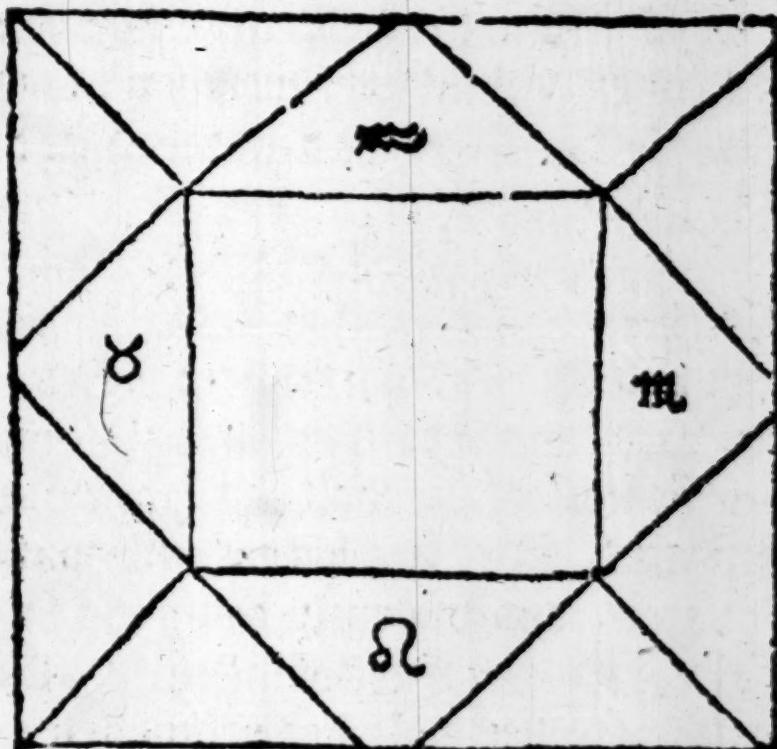
The Horoscope or ascendent beeing
in Taurus, thou shalt iudge in this sorte:
that that man shalbe painfullie disquieted
with sundry cares for getting of ryches,
which he shall easily attaine unto, and be
as apt to loose the same againe, and shall
strive over his enemis.

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Aquarius also in the middest of heauen
maketh him acceptable vnto princes and
great men, and giueth him rule in pub-
lique affaires and offices, and peraduen-
ture in busynesse pertayning to waternes,
because hee seemeth to bee most gyuen to
the nature of the water.

Scorpio in th^r West causeth a harty &
beneficall person, the which shal lose his
wife : if it be a woman, she shal lose both
her husband, and her sonne or childe.



Lco in the nether part of the Heauen
causeth

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causeth him to chalenge his patrimonie,
the which (notwithstanding all the en-
druours & lying in waite of his kindred)
he shall obteine and get.

Of the ascendent in *Gemini*.

WHosoever hath this Horoscope shall
haue prosperitie and good fortune by
his parents, brethren, frendes, kinsfolk,
and great men.

According vnto Firmicus, Pisces being
in the middest of the heauet, causeth thē
whiche are so borne to get their living
by moist and watery thinges, howbeit
for a time hee shall not lise of his owne
costes, but shall get the stipende or fee of
some Prince or citie.

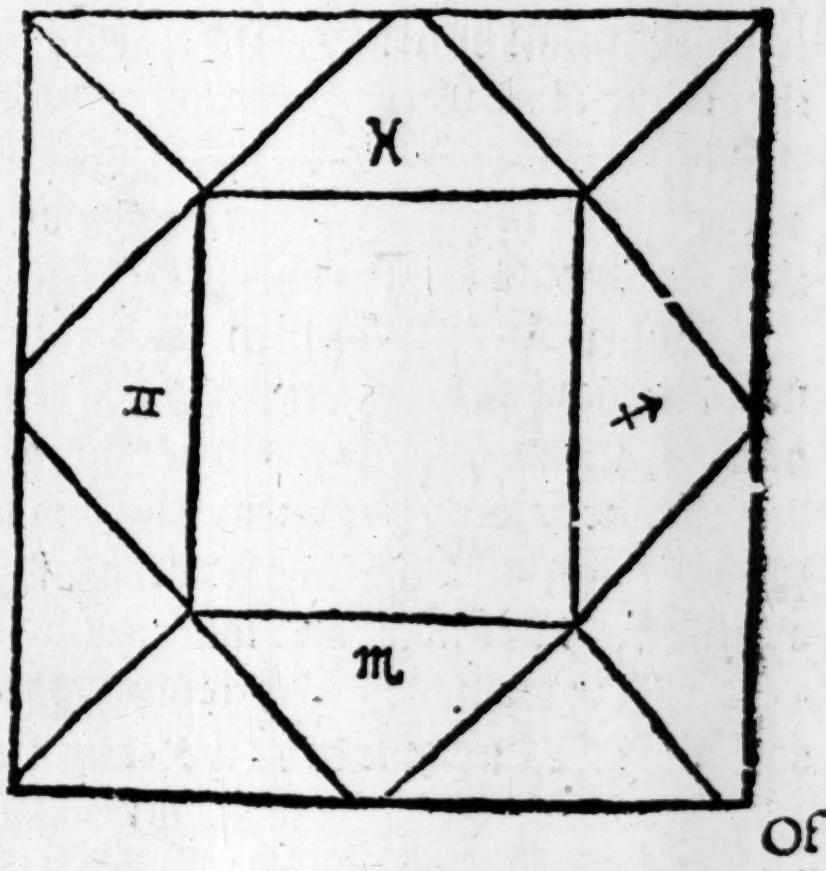
Sagittarius in the West doth contrari-
wise threaten destruction vnto his bre-
thren and kindred, whereby through dy-
uers cares and vexations being put be-
sides his minde, hee shall be a long tyme
tormented. After this his enemies war-
ing fierce, and violently comming vp
on him, and the waues of mischieue stil
increasing : hee shall bee compelled to
forfaine his owne native countrey, and
shall

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shall bee banished and driven awaye as Cain was, vntill at length by the helpe of God hee shall be restored into his former estate and condition.

Virgo likewise in the boosome of the heauen doth threathen the very same, but by chaunge and increase of time (according to the state of the incommodities & burtes) it doth increase abundance, and good fortune.

Heere you may behold the figure.



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Of the *Horoscope in Cancer.*

Cancer in the Horoscope doth dispose the naturall disposition, and al other fortune in this sorte. It maketh a man of a quicke and subtile wit, albeit somewhat slowe, pleasaunt, quiet, and angry, earnestly pursuing all euill persons, whose anger is sone appeased. Also strong, moderate, and graue, by the which gifts he shall be promoted vnto publique offices, & haue his liuing by them. Many shall obey him, and some by compulsion flatter him, but fainedly & not hartely. Saturne is also hartfull vnto him, if that he be either in the Horoscope or any nere aspect. For he doth foreshewe not onely violent death but also continuall verations with sicknes, and the death of his brethren.

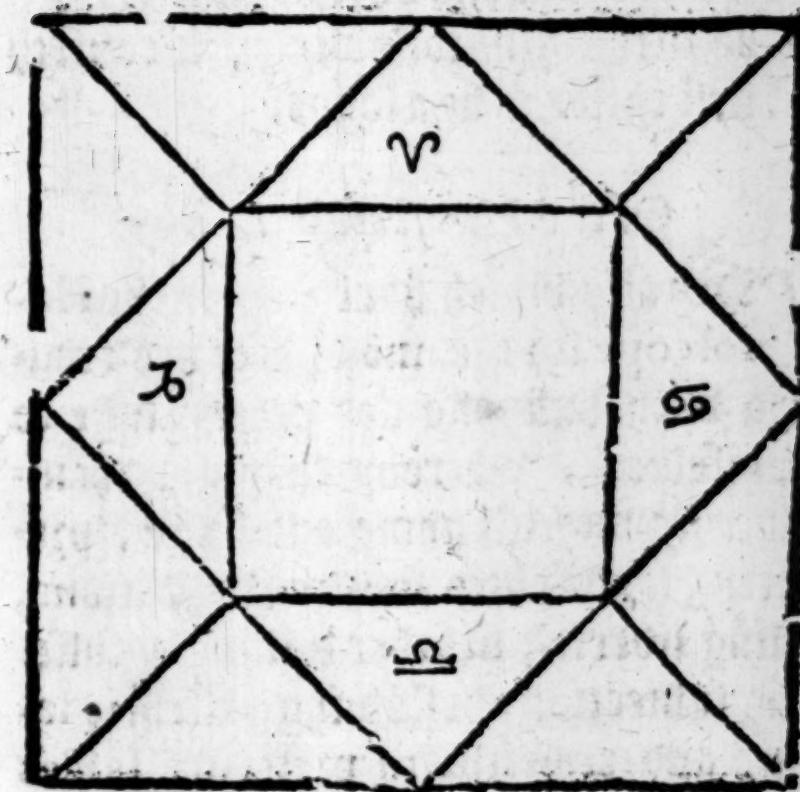
Howbeit Aries beeing present in the midst of the heauē, doth resist him al that he may, and makech him also acceptable vnto Princes and great men, desirous of good things, also wasting & recouering againe his patrimony and inheritance.

With like clemency Capricorne in the occidēt shal cause him to be spotted with infamy,

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infamy, which he shall shortly after wipe away; and many other misfortunes, and shall restore him into his former estate.

And shall also encourage him to seeke out hidden and secret thinges, but notwithstanding great vexation and trauaile.



Libra in the bottome bringeth sorrow upon sorrow, dispersing the pat riunonye, and getting it againe, preferringre hym to publique or euill offices, wherby great and secrete affaires shall bee commic-

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ted unto him, which are not accustomed
to bee committed, but onely unto verye
good men.

And where as Saturne before in the
Horoscope doth threaten a violent death,
Libra doth alienate the same, promising
an honest death and buriall. And if Iupiter
be in the signe following, it causeth
the first childe to be a sonne.

Of the Horoscope in Leo.

They also which haue Leo in the Ho-
roscopic for the most parte are trou-
bled with businesse not perreyninge to
themselues, whereby they get them-
selues immortall name and fame, pre-
ferring themselues unto other Nations,
louing libertie, neyther willingly suffe-
ring subiectioun: bestowinge all their la-
bour and crauiale to prescribe lawes
and ordinaunces to other. Mars in the
artificial figure being opposite unto Leo
doth to all effectes denie men Children:
except Iupiter beeing present do appease
his rigour, who peraduenture will giue
a daughter.

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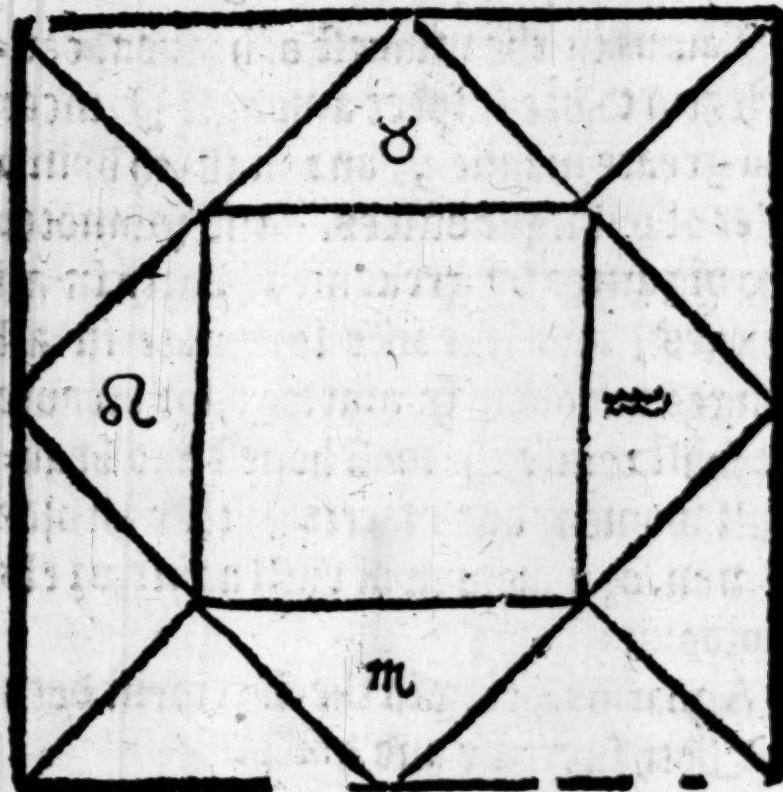
Taurus in the middest of heauen, causeth hym to bee suspect amongst Princes and greate menne , and maketh hym a ruler of publique offices. Also promoted into dignities by great men, witty in all thinges , and likewise fortunate in all thinges but onely in mariage, for because hee shall refuse the most honest and beautifull women, and marrie eyther an olde woman, or a woman of euill name, or els a widow.

Aquarius being in the Occident doth give both increas and losses.

Scorpius in the nether part of the heauen, maketh him a ruler ouer certain affares. And they also haue Taurus in the middest of the heauen, whome Mars beholding with a contrary aspect, doth threaten bothe imprisonment, & also death in a strange place or countrey .

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Of the Horoscope in Virgo.

The Horoscope in Virgo dooth vehemently prouoke a manne to lechery and ryote, and causeth him to be so farre in loue with women, that hee woulde abuse all women. It doth also minister riches and religion, and makith him ruler ouer aunswers and Oracle, so that hee shall be thought to bee of the number of the Geddes, wittie and cunninge in all chinges, searchyng out all thinges, a good

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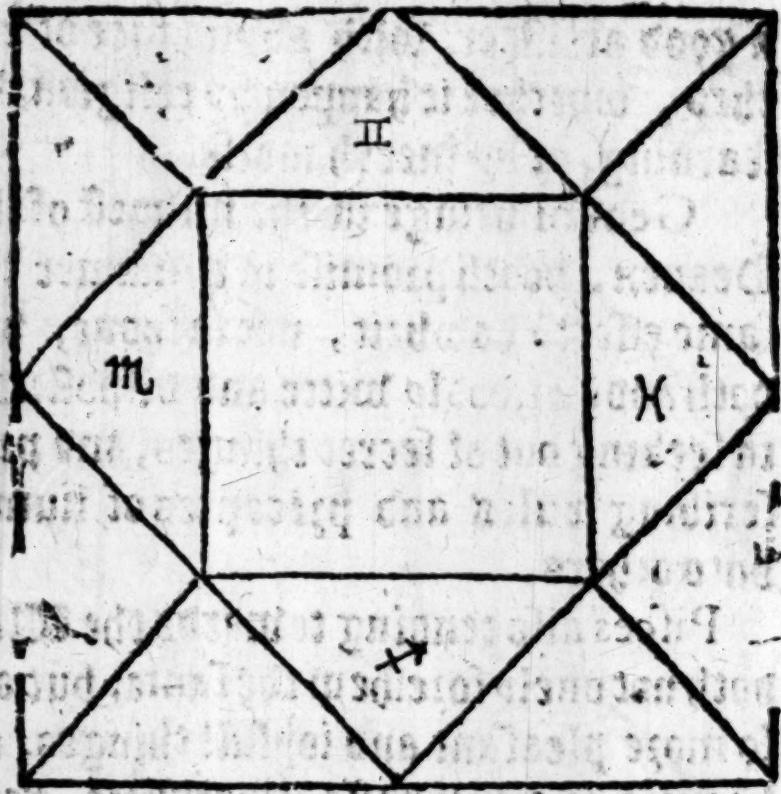
a good artificer, with abundance of ryches, whether it happen by religion, by learning, or by merchandise.

Gemini beinge in the middest of the Heauen, dooth promise in a manner the same effect: howbeit, not so soone, but doth adde a goodly witte and disposition in seeking out of secret thinges, and prescribing rules and preceptes of liuing unto others.

Pisces also tending towards the West doth nat onely foreshew the same: but also more pleasant and joyfull thinges, as beautie or comlynesse, liberalitie, gentenes, and softnes, with fauour and loue amongst men.

Sagittarius doth adde vnto this the fauour and giftes of the Goddess, as felicitie and plencie of all thinges, as of chil-
dren, ecclesiasticall rule, and agilitie and
quickeynesse to do all these thinges. And
this is the destinie of him, which haue
Virgo in his Horoscope, the other three
signes being also gathered, as you maye
here perceiue.

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Of the Horoscope in Libra.

Libra being ascendent at the houre of
Naciuitie, causeth sicknesse, dangers,
enemies, and great strifes and debates,
howbeit, after all those daungeres, it de-
creeth victorse and triumph. Also promos-
tions, religion, sinceritie, and integrity
of iudgement. In nothing so unforunate
as in hauing of children, for when hee
hath gotten certaine children, & begin-
neth to put all his whole confidence and
trust

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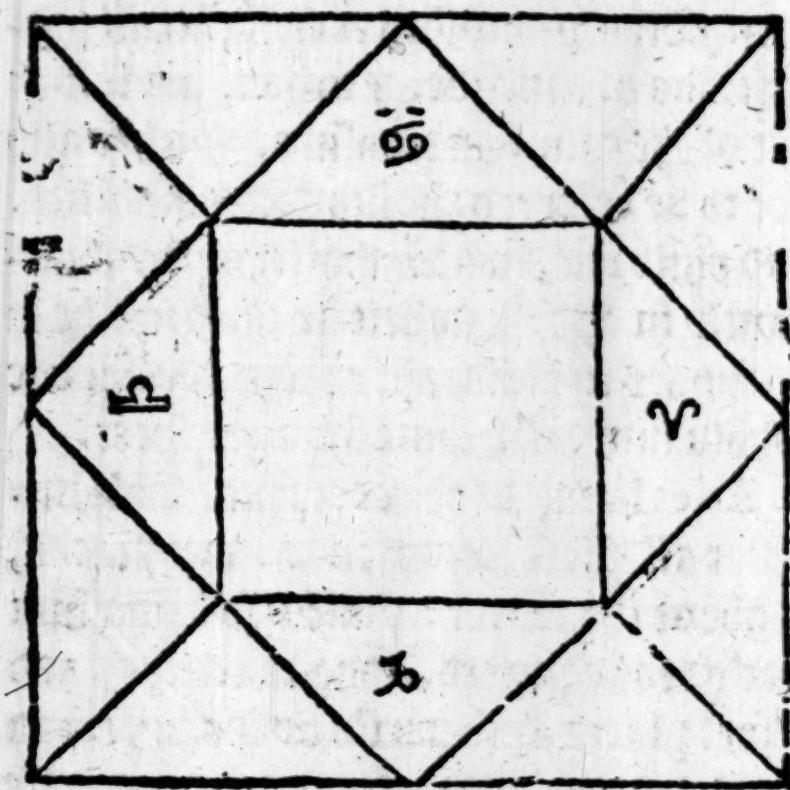
trust in them, by and by they shall decay
and dye, even those to whome he had set
his full hope and trust in.

If any man deuise to know what dig-
nities he shall haue, and in what place, y
may verie well bee perceiued by Cancer
being ascendent in the midst of the hea-
uen. Who promiseth ecclesiastical pro-
motions or stipeude, & to haue his living
out of the common treasure. Hicher also
are to be referred the substance, nobility,
and children, which shall happen abun-
dantly in age: howbeit he shall not be so
fortunate in children, except Jupiter doe
behold him with some sounde aspect.

Aries being in the occidente, shall mi-
nister all these things in watery places,
or about the water: shall also bring him
into great dangers, long iourneys, and
deserte places, into perils by his wife: and
per aduenture into a frenshe or madnesse
till he draw in age, and then he shal haue
an end of all these miseries.

Capricorne shall tosse him hither and
thither, and seldome suffer him to bee in
quiet, neither wil he suffer his patrimony

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to bee in suerty, but now vp, now downe,
now losse, now recovered againe: because
for the most part they bee wanton which
haue Capricorne in the neither part of the
Heauen. Also hee shall haue a Sonne by
an unlawfull woman.

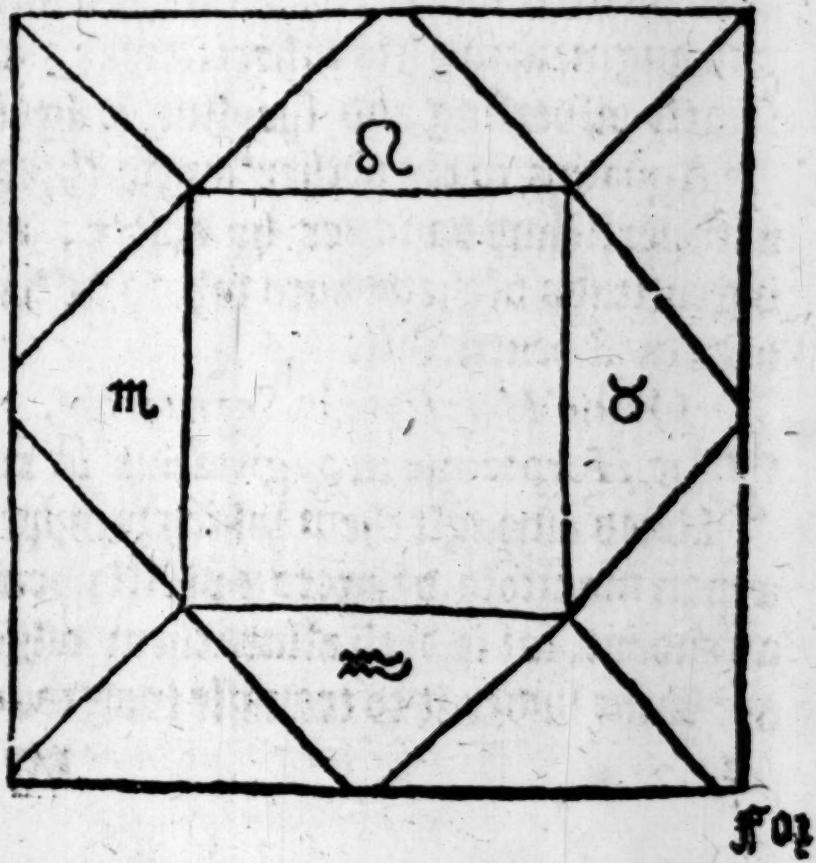


The Horoscope in Scorpio.

I Judge the Nature of the Horoscope
in Scorpio to bee manyfest, accordyng
to the Naturall guiding of the thing ta-
king life thereln. For it maketh an an-
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gry man, priuily pouring out his poison,
and backbiting with his pestilent tong,
very rich, and tossed with many perils, &
thereby almooste brought to desperation:
the whiche beinge somewhat quieted and
pacified, he shall enjoy a quiet fruite and
use of glorie, dignitie, ministracion, and
religion. It addeth also a lively spirit &
vigour of minde, with adournement of
speech. Furth:r, notwithstanding hys
former damages, it gyueth increase of
children, which shall recompence his so-
loues passed.



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Forsomuch as it happeneth seldome
but that the other princypall angles per-
forme the same which the ascendent doth
promise : so Leo possessing the middest of
the heauen, doth promise that which is a-
foresaid, adding therunto fortitude and
strength to performe the same withal, gi-
ving also dignitie, as an immortall re-
ward of vertue.

Taurus in the occident gryech him vic-
torie ouer his enemies, as wel priute, as
apart. Howbeit hee shall be infamed for
lechery, the which hee shall also wype a-
way by little and little, now encreasing
and augmenting his inheritance, and
shortly dispersing and spoyleing it again.

Aquarius in the nether angle threat-
meth perill and daunger by water, and
ingratitude of them unto whom he hath
been most beneficiale.

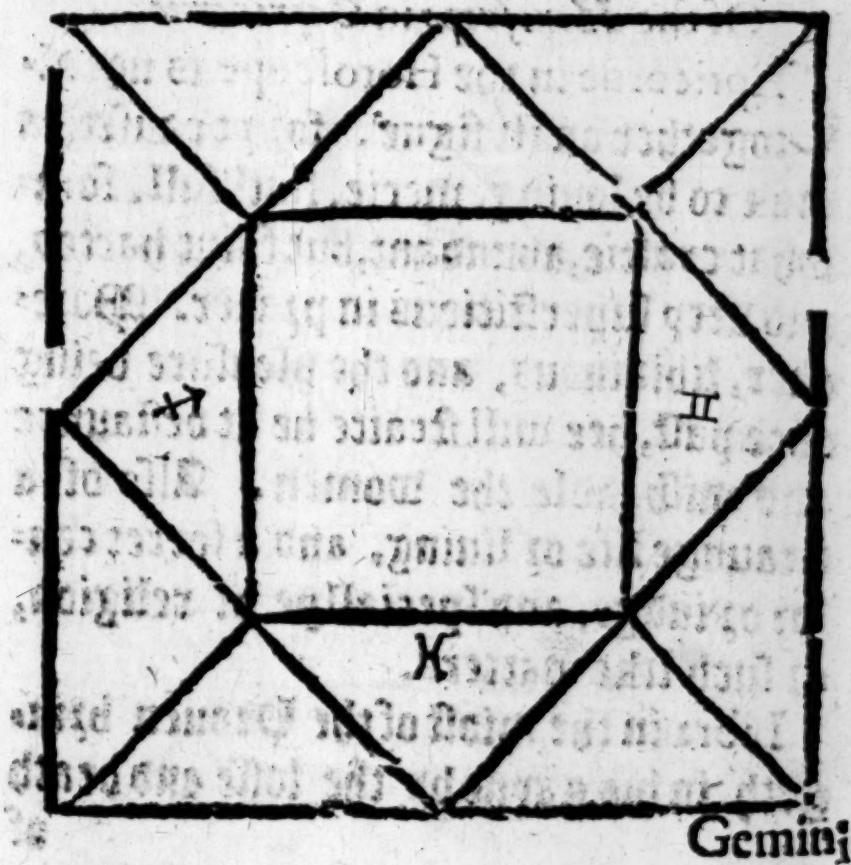
Of the Horoscope in Sagittarius.

The Horoscope in Sagittarius is rec-
koned amongst them which wrappeth
a man manifold dangers & perills being
ascendent, for it doth allure them which
are boorne under it to traueile long jour-
neys,

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neys, & to commit themselves to the seas & great waters. It ministreth also naturally a prompte & readye wit to all good learning & discipline, so that they follow nature.

Wherefore, if Virgo happen to be in the middlest of the heauen, it doth augment his fortune, recompensing the labours of his mind and wte with some notable prefermet, by the which he shal excel others: vsing the same liberalitie in helping others, although they be unthankfull.



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Gemini in the west giueth children &
Reuewes by and by in the middle age,
and shall giue him rule or office ouer
Bookes and secret things.

Pisces in the nether part of the heauen
giveth help out of the watery places, ma-
keteth him faithfull, to whom secrets may
be committed, noble, eyther by bloud or
gentlenes: whom, if Jupiter do beholde
with any meane aspect, he shall marie a
wife which hath been defiled before, or
an adulterous woman.

Of the Horoscope in Capricorne.

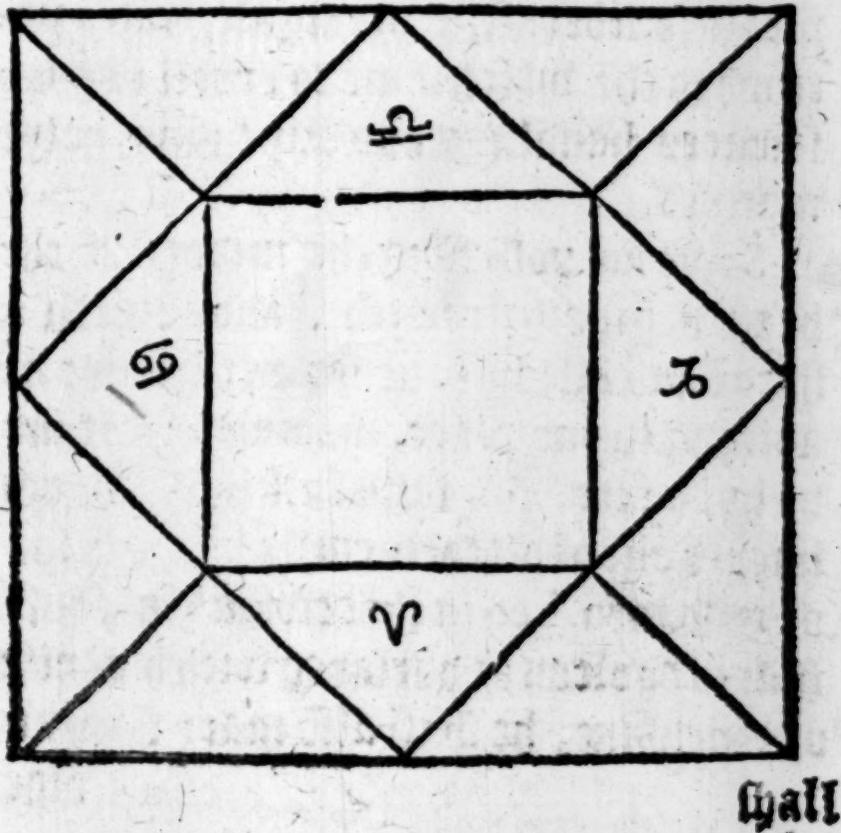
Capricorne in the Horoscope is not al-
together an ill signe, for yt canseth a
man to be louing, merie, faithfull, som-
what craftie, abundant, but faint harted,
and very superstitious in prayer. More-
over, libidinous, and the pleasure being
once past, hee will straite be at desiaunce
and mishandle the women. Also of a
straunge life or living, and a secret cen-
sor or iudge, and speciallpe of religion,
or such like matters.

Libra in the middest of the Heauen
geth in his gayne by the losse and death
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of others, maketh him also honest, godly, acceptable, eloquent, and learned : and in his necessarie voweding and praping unto God, whereby after all euils and misfortunes, hee shall obtaine a prosperous and happie age.

Cancer in the Occident stirreth up all his friendes against him, and increaseth innumerable perills and daungers towards him. The same thing also Aries doth threaten in the horizonne of the heauē, for all his substance, dignities & offices



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shall be tossed too and fro, now vp, nowe
downe, vntill at the length, as is said, Li-
bra shall moderate the same, yet shall hee
not preserue his sonne or child, but that
he shal be grieuously vexed with sicknes.

Of the Horoscope in Aquarius.

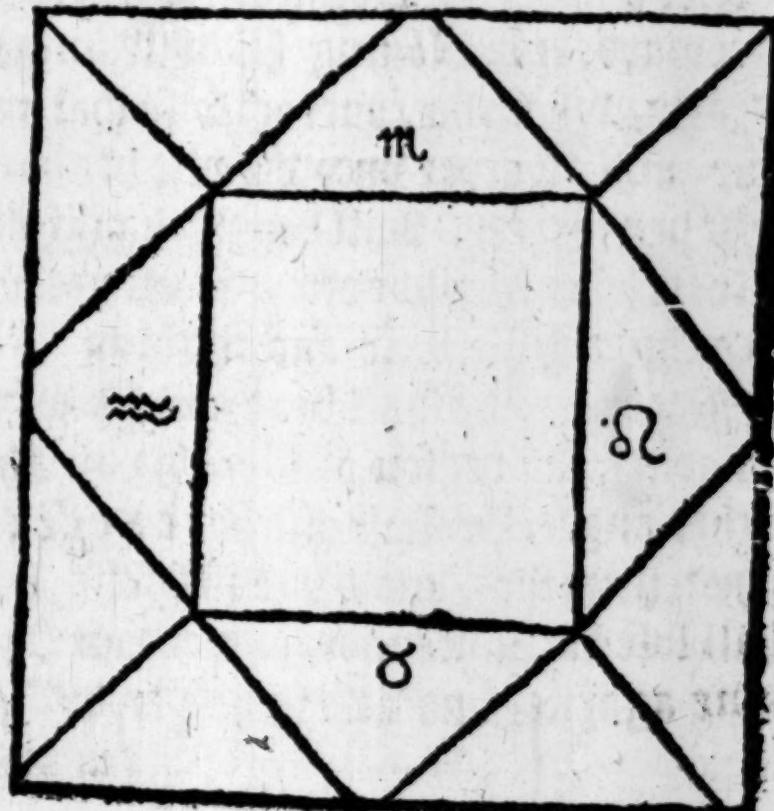
THe effect of this Horoscope is such
that it maketh them mealy rich, &
promoteth them vnto great men, &
casteth them into many daungers, out of
the which, euен in the middest of despera-
tion, he shall bee relieved by the helpe of
God. It maketh the also keepers of hos-
pitalitie, liberall, & prodigall, and a pa-
tron to the which seeme to excell in good
sciences handling and dispensing holye
matters.

Scorpius possessing the middest of the
heauen, giueth strength, and causeth a
harde and vile lyfe, neuer permanent or
abiding in one place, hauing ill fortune
by his wiues. But last of all, he shalbe de-
livered out of all these euills by the helps
of good men. Leo in thocccident shal cause
him to be often at variance with his wife
or concubine, he shall also mary with an
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olde woman, which shal flatter hym promising hym great giftes, but in her heart she shall loue other better then hym. His swne housshould shall bee his enemies by whose helpe his cther enemies shall goe about to destroy hym. And he shall marie eyther another mans wife, or else a widow.

Taurus in the nether angle, encreaseith his glory & pompe which he is giuen unto, enriching hym also with other mens goods, and causing hym to liue long.



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Of the Horoscope in Pisces.

Pisces maketh them very witty, bold,
harty, fatchfull, friendly, & somewhat
hie minded, promoting the same to honor.

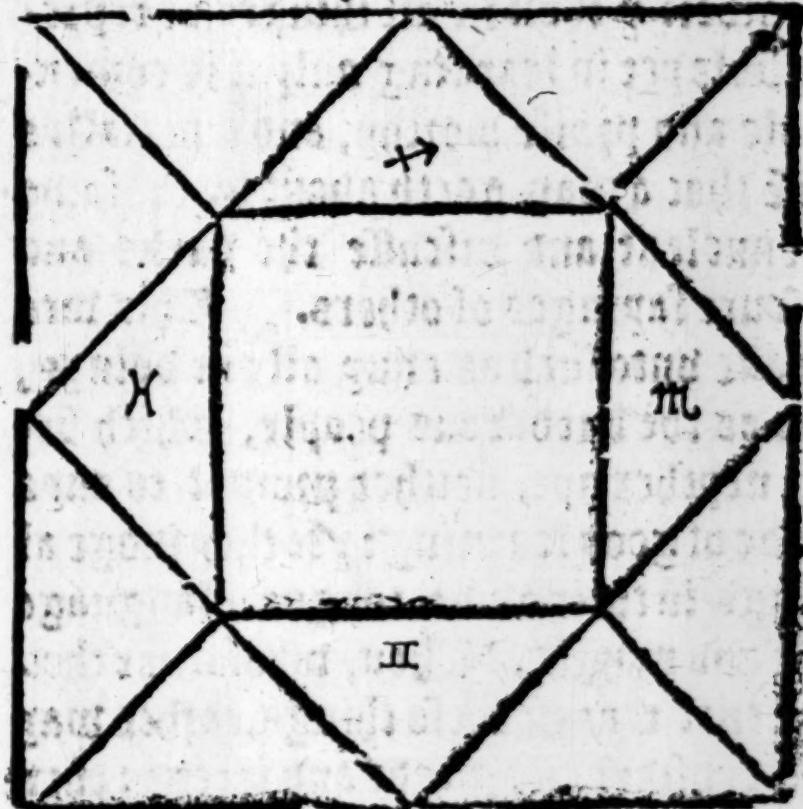
Sagittarius in the upper angle, shall cast
him head-long into manye perills and
dangers. Notwithstanding, maketh him
personable, and bold to moue debate and
strife with great men, and shall bring
other mens goods in perill and danger,
and thereby possesse that whiche is none
of his owne.

Virgo in the Occidente, maketh hym
hartie, a keeper of Hospitality, secret, a
Steward, & one louing his wife immo-
derately, whom she conterartwise shal not
loue, and all other unto whome hec hath
been beneficall, shall bee unthankfull.
Thereby he shall be often vexed & trou-
bled through his wife and children.

Moreover, he shall bee troubled with
sicknesse, by reason of Gemini in the
nether angle. He shall also haue a disease
whom none shall know but himselfe, hec
shall lose his substance, and recover the
same agayne, and also be holpen by his
friends,

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Friends, least hee might seme destitute,
We shall surrender his spirit to his ma-
ker in a strange land or place, out of his
owne countrey by sodaine death.



Heereatter followeth the Naturall
iudgementes of Astrology, according to
the Revolution of the Sunne, through
the xii. signes of the Zodiacke.

Hitherto we haue intreated v obscure
sayings of others, concerning the
iudgementes of the Horoscope. But be-
cause we only promised to intreat briesly
of those things, whiche others haue hand-

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Ied with long comencaris: some perad-
uenture would impute these vnto me, in
adding other mens doing vnto myne.
Of which thest I am nothing ashamed:
for albeit y thest in all chinges be repre-
hensible yet in learning only it is comen-
dable and praze worthy, and especiallye
whē that a man goeth about by the same
to enucleat and disculpe the darke and
obscure sayinges of others. This wee
speake vnto such as enuy all our doings,
like as the barbarous people, which be-
ing neyther apt, neither prompt to anye
kinde of good learning: yet they iudge al
chings in their owne tongue & language
vile and naught. Thou, whosoever thou
art, that readest these things, rather way
and consider our minde and intent: then
our wordes, minding to teach and make
evident all chinges vnto thee: which if it
come otherwise to passe, it is contrarie
to our minde and purpose. Now we will
enter vpon the naturall iudgementes,
whereas briesly concerning Aries, it is in
this sorte.

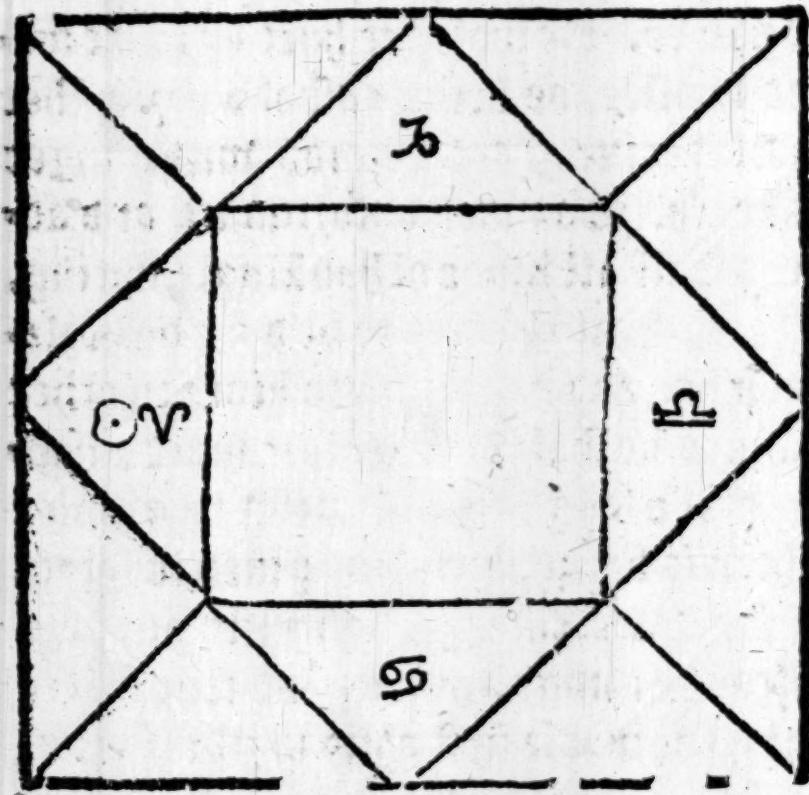
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The Sunne in *Aries*.

The Sunne being in Aries, maketh them which are borne, neither rich, neyther very poore. Also angry, but soone pleased, studious, eloquent, divers, proude, lying, and luxurios, promising (as they say) mountaines of Gold, & performing nothing, euill reported amongst his kindred and shall be brought in danger by his enemies, which shall bee men of power. He shall bee hurt by fourre footed beastes, as being cast of a horse, hee shall receiue great wounds with danger of death. So much unforunate and aduers shall all kinde of hauking, hunting, fishing, & all thinges to be done on horsebacke be, and happen unto him: in other thinges he shall be more fortunate & happy, & also long liued. Also if it be a maide which is borne, she shalbe giuen to lying, angry, fatre, curios, delighting in new & strange thinges, enuious and fruitfull in childdren, whose first child shalbe slaine, she shalbe in many perils & dagers, wherby she shal get a marke or lkar in þ head, or else be naturally marked there, or in

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the feete. This we haue noted also out of
certaine autho^rs , that the children of
Aries, being borne in the day, shalbe for-
tunate and of greate reputation and re-
nowne amongst great men and Prin-
ces : contrarywise, they which are borne
in the night, to be infortunate, and of
no reputation.



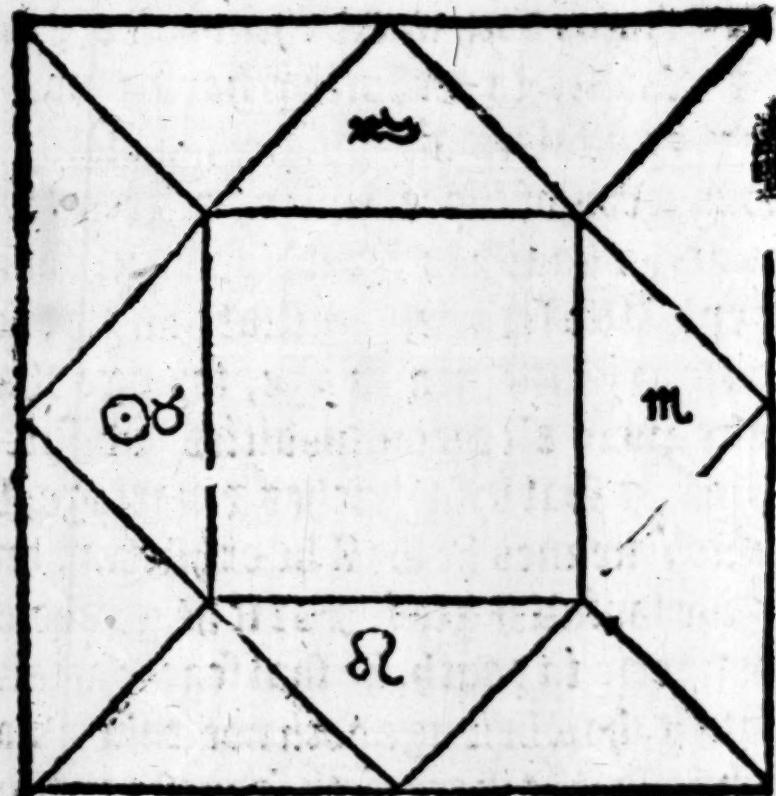
The Sunne in Taurus.

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TAURUS doth make them bolde & fortunate in accēsing hard & waigh-
ty affaires and busines, a victor or
conqueror of his enemies, a great tra-
uailer, & banished from his native coun-
try. Also seruile, familiar, angry, but
more in youth then ia age, for age shall
take away all incommodities & displea-
sures, & shal bring riches & mariage, by
which meanes he shall be exhilarate and
made toylfull & glad. For if he go absute
to marrie i. i youth, he shal scarce attaine
vnto it, howbeit age doth not take away
sicknesse, but increaseth sadnesse, melan-
choly, black choller, and causeth hurt, as
biting of a dogge, & that about the xxvii
or xxxv. yeare of his age. These thinges
once passed, he shall florish againe & lue
very long. It maketh also the women
children wantō, painful, obedient, & full
of wordes: also infamed for whoredome,
which infamy shal vanishe away by little
& little, whe the cometh to the age of xxx.
yeres: she shal haue many husbands & chil-
dren, wise & wicke in helping & counsai-
ling others, also circumspect and rich-

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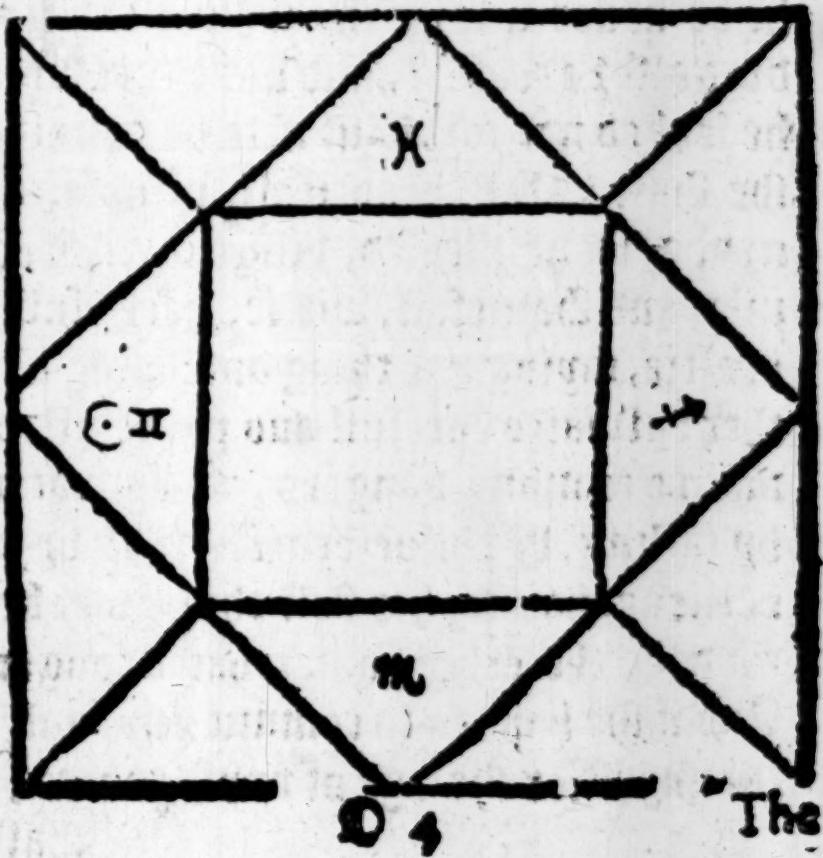


The Sunne in Gemini.

Gemini being naturallye faire, dooth cause also a faire child, merciful, wise and wittye, liberall, a boaster, a runner and strayer about countries, taking smal regard to his owne busines, whereby hee shall bee neyther riche, neyther oppresed with poverty, but of a meane estate. And of such fidelite and faythfulnesse, that hee shall haue the rule of the common treasure, merrye mynded, full of understanding, subtile, gentle to be spoken too, and

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and by a certaine instruction accepeable unto men, as they whiche haue Venus in the roote of their nativity. Also faire of face, indued with good learning and science: as Mathematical sciences, y lawes, and Arithmetick. This singuler gift bee hath also before others, that being angry, bee can dissemble and couer his anger. He shalbe in gret danger about xxiiij. yeares of age, either to be bitten of a dog, or hurt by fire, or else by Iron or weapon.



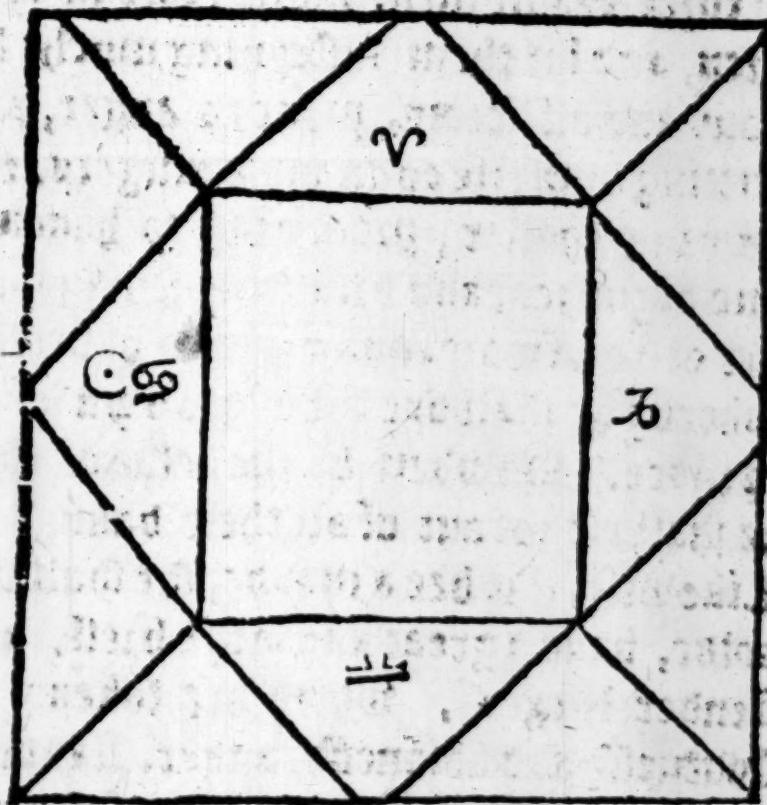
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The Sunne in Cancer.

Cancer being naturally cold & moist, doth make grosse the flesh, and doth allure & prouoke to the loue & compayne of women. Also it caueth a good wit, humilitie, and wisedome, full of frise & de-
bate: & for the most part giuing victo:ye ouer all his enemis. Attempting many things, and specially on the sea, often in
daunger, and verred with many incou-
dities, with much pouerty & miserie. And
albeit he be the causer of gaine, yet shal
he be never a whit the richer: hee si all
digge for treasure, and finde that which
he looked not for. But if it be a maide,
she shal be fat, beautefull, nimble, an-
gry, & soone pleased, diligent, wise, ci-
uile, and shamefast, wittie, deceitfull, &
craftie, saying one thing and doing another: alwaies carefull and painefull, or-
dained to many dangers, as by water,
by falling, by childe bearing, and by the
collicke, hauing her first childe weake &
tender, the other somewhat stronger.
And if she happen to commit any fault of
infamy after the age of xxvi. yeares, it
shalbe

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shalbe cleane abolished and put out of
minde. After the which age, whether it
be man or womā, it promiseth good suc-
celle & fortune. It makith the also well
haired, modest, faithfull painfull, gree-
die of meat & drinke, acquainted with
noble men, and fortunate in husbandrie.



The Sunne in Leo.

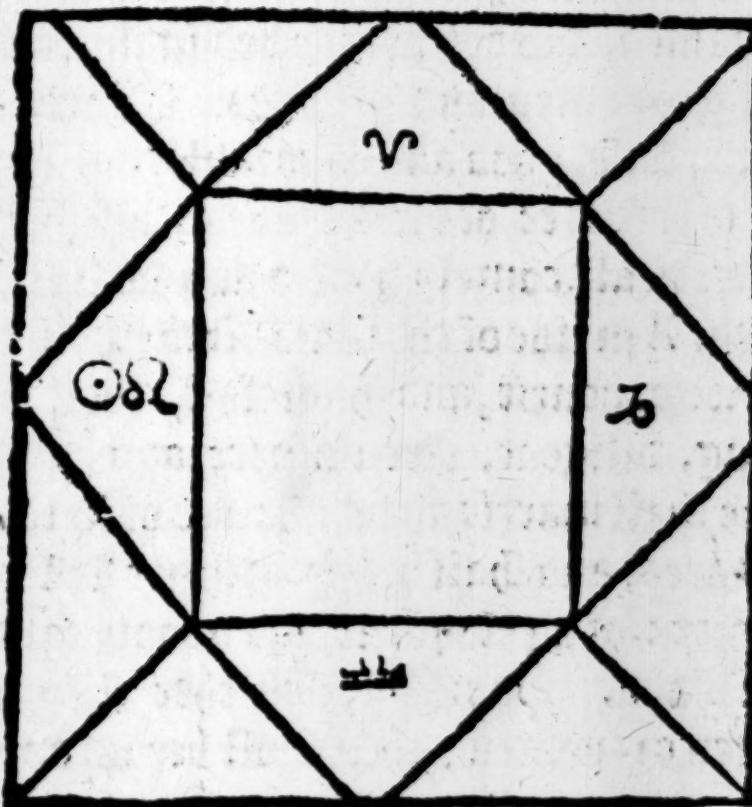
The Sunne in Leo, maketh a stout
homancke, bolde, arrogant, eloquent,
and

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and proude: a mocker and scorner, vnimercifull, cruell, harde, and harde to be increased. Beset with manye miseries and perills, one of the which beeing escaped, shall obtaine some common office: as to be a Tencurion or a Captaine ouer 500. loking for benefit at the hands of three noble men, unforcurate in chil- dren, and for them susteyning muche la- bour and affliction, prone to anger, and putting himselfe to many daungers, en- flaming choller, promoting to honours and dignities, and bringeth them in dan- ger of fier, sword, and violence of beastes, wherby he shall dye out of his own house or place. Howbeit by the helpe of God he shall escape out of all these daungers. Likewise, if it bee a mayde, she shall bee bold, haue a great and large brest, and slender legges, which are tokens of stoutnesse and boldnesse, anger, slanders and babling, albeit that the softnesse which is in women, doth somewhat remit and asswage ther cesse of the same. She ought also specially to take heed of hotte water and fier, by the which shes shalbee greatly

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greatly in daunger she shall also be much inclined to the sicknesse or gnawing of y stomacke. But after the age of xx. or xxx. yeares, she shal be fortunate in richesse, the which she shal obteyne by the help of great men, & the use of other mens goodes: also in house-keeping, beauty, and loue. Notwithstanding, shee shall haue but fewe chyldeyn.



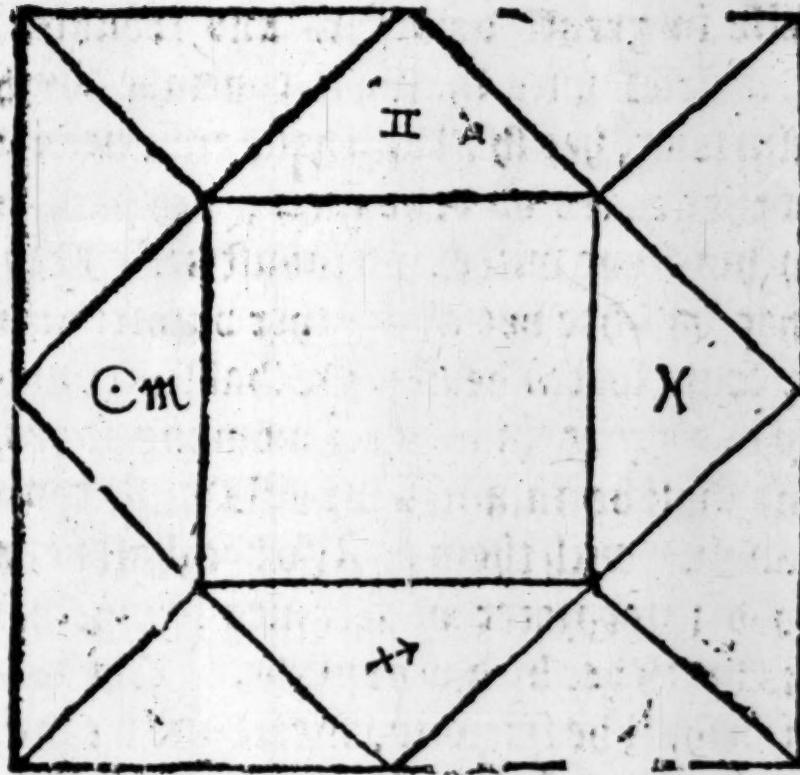
The Sunne in Virgo.

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SD likewise Virgo dooth make them
fortunate in household affaires, witty,
true, stout, and ambitious. His wife shal
die before hee know of it, divers chinges
also shall bee taken and stolne from him,
and he shall be reuenged of his eaemies.
Moreover, hee shall bee so much giuen to
wasting and babling, that hee can not
hide and keape close his owne secretes,
faire of face, well mannered, a louer of
women, and delitning to bee in the courts
of great men and Princes. Moreover,
just, wise, good and honorable, a patron
and defender of his friendes: also holy &
mercifull, comely bodied and well frien-
ded. A maide of the same birth, shall bee
wittie, honest, and shamefass, well wil-
lusing, diligent, circumspect, and angry,
she shall marrie about the age of sixteene
yeares, and shall bring forth her first be-
gotten of an eloquent and goodly forme
or shape. Howbeit, whether they bee
men or women, they shall bee wrapped
in many perills and daungers.

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The Sunne in Libra.

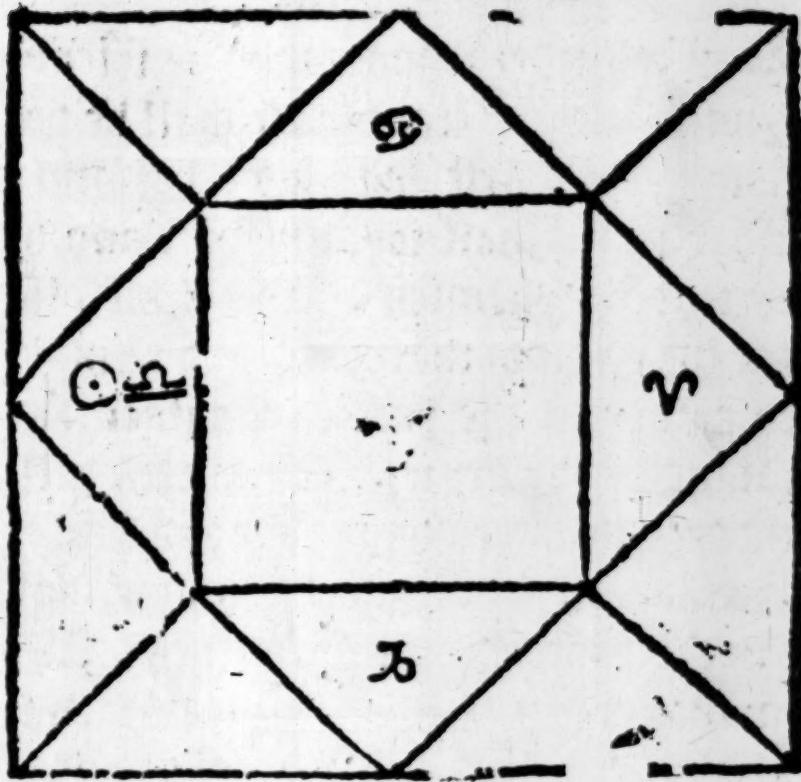
The Sun in Libra causeth the childe to bee libidinous, busie, fortunate, and specially vpon the wacers, or thinges perteyning to the water. Also by sweete spices and precious stones, and such like. It causeth likewise a comely body and nimble, a pleasaunt tongue or speech, a good name, seeking out secrets, but shalde be fested fast in promises, although he pretend otherwise. He shall put hym selfe

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selfe in greate daungers and troubles.
His firsste wife shall not continue wþch
him long, hee shall also haue enheritance
of the goodes of dead men , and partlye
þþ his awne wicke, and industrie. Neþ-
ther shall hee bee altogether unþortunate
þþ foure footed beasts. He shal suffer ma-
ny and great thinges for womensakes,
and shall be infamed for unlawfull com-
panyng with them . Also hee shall bee a
good interpreter of d̄c̄anes , whether
his byþth bee by day or night. The wo-
man shall be friendly, merie and iocond,
setting her whole delighte on the fieldes
and hearbes , wandering into a strange
places . About the age of xxiij. he shall
marrie , which mariage shall be soþu-
nate : whose beautie, pleasant speech or
tongue , and comelye behauour, shall
greatly preferre and prouide her. Neþ-
ther are the children of Libra altogether
vnapt to letters or good learning . But
let them take heede of scaulding water
and of fire , for they shall receyue
hurt by them, without great
regarde bee had.

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The Sunne in Scorpio.

Scorpio dooth augmente the inher-
taunce, and addeth boldnes and stou-
nesse, also flatterie, by the which he shall
deceive manye , shewing (as they say)
breas in the one hande , and hyding a
Stone in the other : mingling popson
with honie , performing almoste no-
thing that hee promiseth. Notwithstan-
ding, merrit, and iesting , light of be-
liefe, and a conquerour of his enemies .

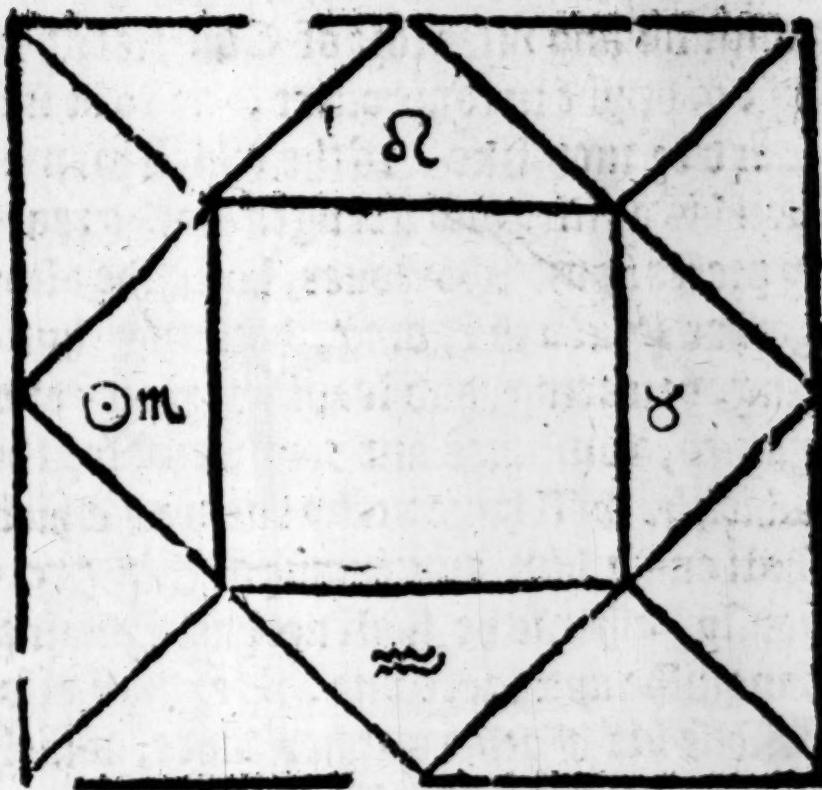
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It causeth also the woman to be friendly, wise, and craftie, which shall be decaued of her first husband : her other husband shee shall toyfully vse, and ouercome her enemies . She shall also haue the paine of the splene, and be mar ked eyther in the head or sholders, or brawne of the arme . It makeith both kindes bold and rash to robbe and steale, and to search out forbidden things, and to make contracts or bargaines . Also it maketh them wanton, fornicatores, vnstable, and full of euill thoughts and imaginacions, babling, and angry, and sometime very sad and afflicced . Howbeit, there shall be Princes and great men which shall esteaine and set much by such sort of men, and also of the common people which shall flatter them, whereby they shall be had in great reputation and honour .

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The Sunne in *Sagittarius.*

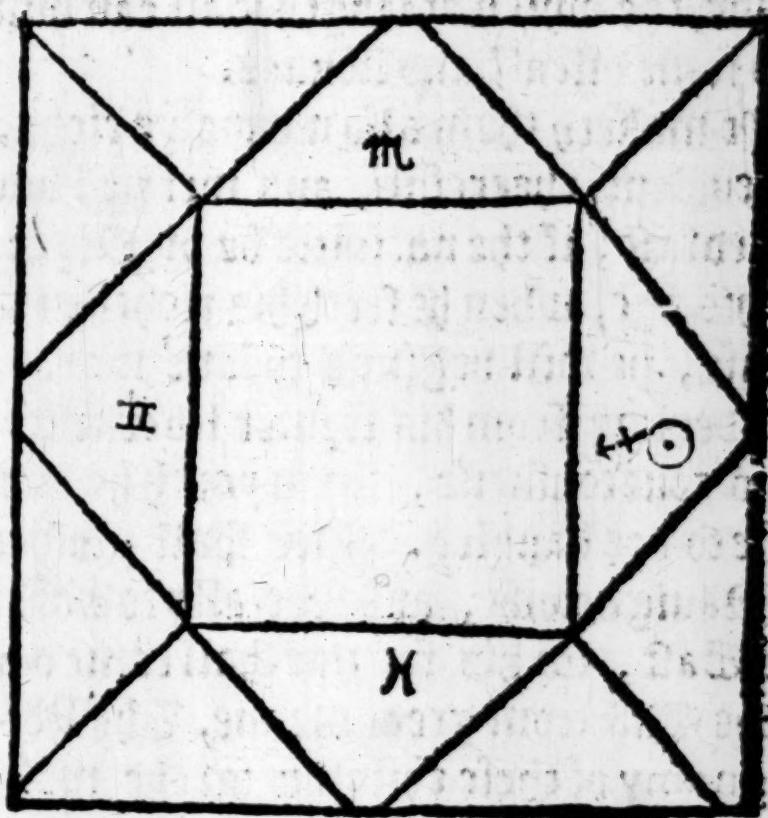
Sagittarius is not altogether euill, for
the Sunne dwelling in it dooth the gyue
fortune, and ministreth a courage to take
anye thinge in hande, whatsoener thoir
purposeth: and specially to trauel straing
countreys, and to passe the seas, and not
to returne without great gaine. He shal
also get friendes to come into the houses
and Courtes of Princes, (not to gather vp
the trenchers, or likke the dishes, as the

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common and viler sort of Courtiers do: but to be put in some office, as to be steward or such like, to the which promotion his agility and strength shall greatly prefer hym. Moreouer, he shalbe altogether gyuen to ryding, hauking, hunting, dauncing, and leaping, plaies and games, combates and conflictes, for the which he shall haue many enemies which shall entie him and impugne him greeuously, whome he shall notwithstanding banquish and ouercome. Hee shall also posesse his Fathers inheritance, which happeneth not unto all men. And often tymes it maketh them iust, wittie, stell, harty, ingenious, faichfull, gentle, firme, and stable, painefull and boasting. The woman also shall not much differ: for she shalbe full of anxietie, painefull, mercifull, and much enuied and layde in waite for by euill men: but she shall ouercome them and bee fertile in childe-bearing. Shee shall marrie about the age of xvii. yeares, but if that mariage proceede not, shee shall not marrie vntill the age of xxiii. yeares.

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The Sunne in Capricorne.

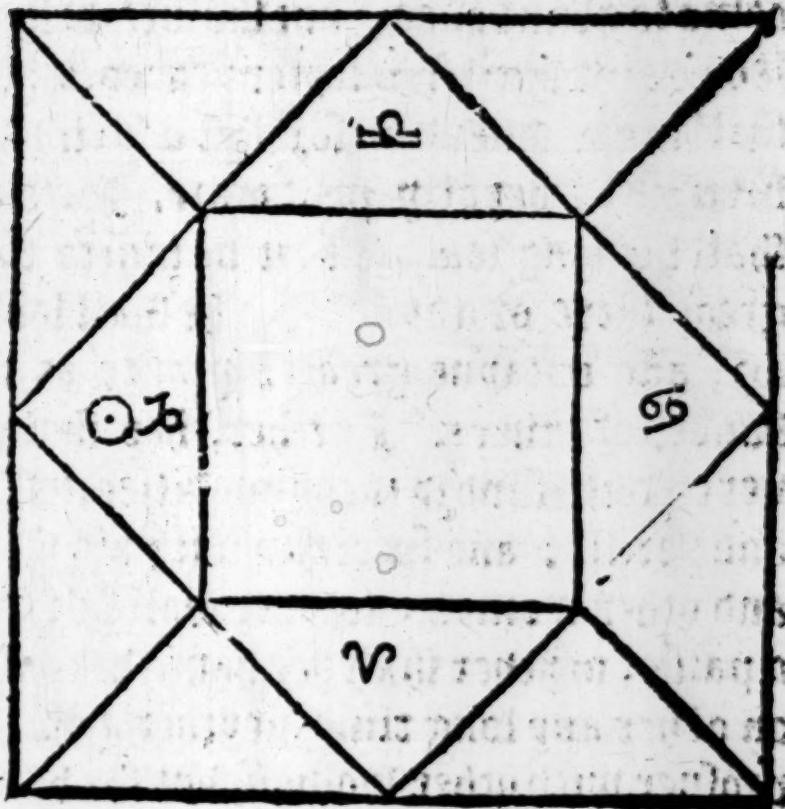
Capricorne maketh the childe angry
and light, accompanying him selfe
with vile & suspicioous persons. Al-
so painefull, and distract and vexed with
diuers variances, the whiche adver-
saries he shall boldly and stoutly beare
out and sustaine. He shall ver ready to
die for the loue of som e poore and simple
maide

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maide, the which at length shall cast him
into some disease and sicknes.

It makech them also meanelye riche,
beneuolent, cheerefull, and merrie : bat
vnstedefast, if the nativitie be by Night.
In his age, when he seeth his richesse in-
crease, he will beginne to lote money,
and decline from his former liberallity,
vnto couetousnesse, soz in youth he was
easse to bee handled. Hee shall prosper
in Nauigations, and specially towarde
the East, for his fortune shall come out
of the East from great menne. The Phi-
siognomy of these children for the moste
part is such : a little heade, hollow eies,
and a meane voice. Bathes be profit-
able vnto him being sicke. The women
are timerous, and verye shamefast,
and shall haue dominion and vic-
tozie ouer their enemies,
and shall stray far
abroad.

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The Sunne in *Aquarius.*

AQuarius maketh the childe friendly, but couetous, and apt to quotidian argues, unfortunate about waters, which naturally he shall abhorre. His good fortune shal begin to increase about the age of xv. or xvi. yeraes, at the whych tyme hee shall beginne to wander and straye through diuers places, and ware somewhat riche, which richesse shall never

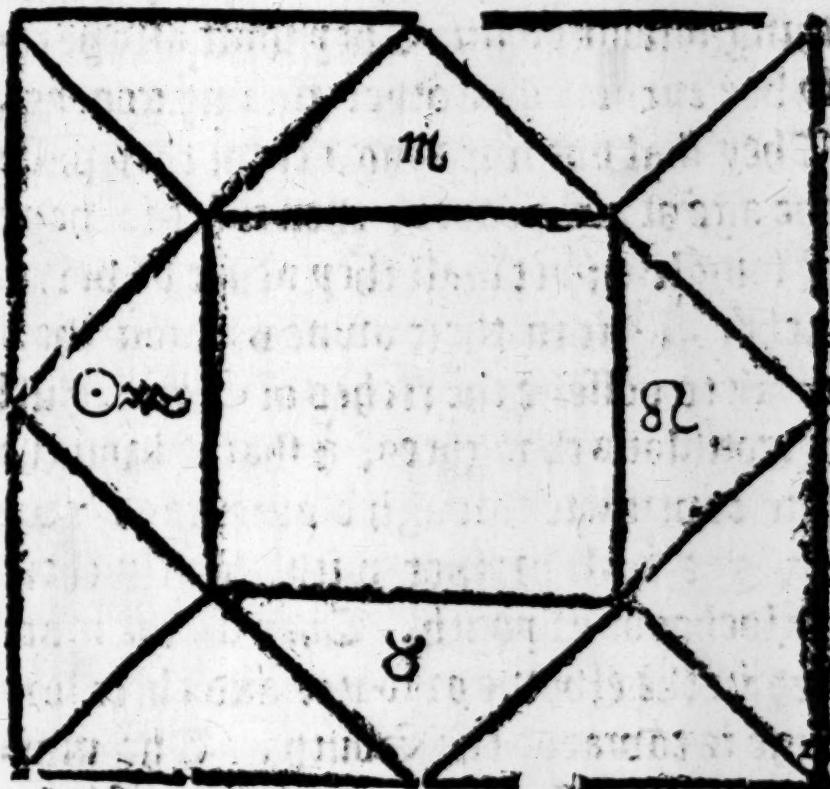
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come to abundance, but shalbee disper-
sed againe vntill his latter yeares, which
shall make amedes for that whiche hath
ben ouer liberally spent afore. Neither
shall his long tourneys turne him to any
great lucte or gayne, but he shall looke
for, and obtayne greater profitte at the
handes of others. Further, hee shalbee
vered with sundry incommodities, losses,
and perills, and specially with his wife,
and other women: for shee shall fall into
a pallsie, neyther shall hee haue the frui-
tion of her any long time, neyther shall hee
prosper with other women, but she being
once deade, all thinges shall come more
fortunate to passe.

The mayde borne in Aquarius shalbee
proper and fine, true, and constant, and
in these three pointes, she shallexell the
man. She shall also be enriched by other
mens goodes, and let her take heede of
her childdren, for shee shall bee vered with
many incommodities, & attempt strange
places, she shalbe but of meane estate un-
to the age of xxxii. yeares, and then for-
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tune shall begin somewhat to fauour her: and she shall obtaine meane riches. Oftentimes both the men and women bee soft of speech, wise, ingenious, faithfull, merrie and continually angry with their enemies.



The Sunne in *Pisces*.

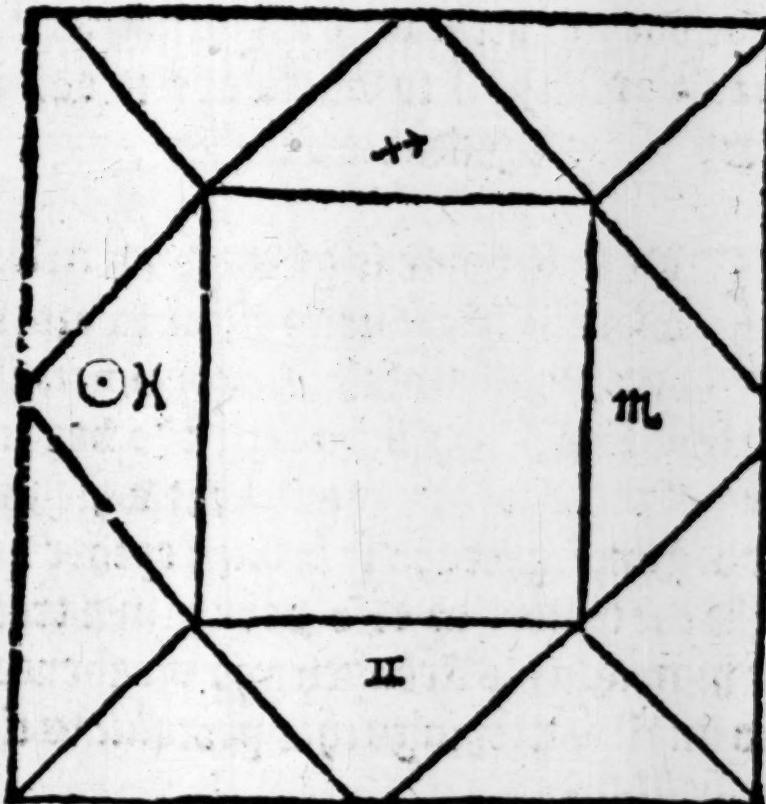
Pisces in youth, doth bere his childdren with many euils, and oftentimes with out desert: and maketh them couetous, merry, diligent, players, neglecting for-

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tune, of a good disposition, louing the com-
pany of good men. Also of a quicke and
readie tonge, holde, standinge much in
their owne conceite, and sett inate in see-
king out treasures : for this is onely gi-
uen unto them, that they shall find some-
thing unlooked for. They shall also part-
ly bee enryched by other mens goodes.
They shal not live long, except they passe
the age of 35. yeares, then there is hope
of long life ; yet shall they never be verre
riche, albeit in their owne opinion they
think to possesse the riches of Cresus. Full
of troublous thoughtes, & shalbe brought
into captiuitie through women, and fewe
thinges shall prosper with them in their
childehoode or youth. They shalbe mar-
ked in the elbowe or foote, and their for-
tune is towards the South. The mai-
den children shall be hotte, holde, of inso-
lent tongues, contumelious, and full of
brawling and scolding, beset with ma-
nye perills, (and putting all honesty a-
part) shee shall forsake her husband, and
if shee bee not let, shee will marry her
selfe unto an aduouter. Also they shalbe
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much vered with the comynnes of the he-
lie and stomacke. And thus you haue the
second time the influences of the signes
sufficiently spoken and intreated of.



The nature of the houses.

Nowe there doth remayne to speake
of the nature of the houses & signes
howe and in what thinges they fauour
or helpe our doinges, and what is to bee
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done in every signe : whereby wee maye
so order all our actions and doings, that
all thinges may come prosperously and
happely to passe. For this is the onelye
scope of Naturall Astrologie, to þ which
if we doe not attaine, I know not (as Al-
chabitius saith) to what ende it can o-
therwise be þþofitable unto vs.

The first house is givien unto Aries,
who also is the firste signe in order,
and is called of the Astronomers the
house of lyfe, and signifieth the begyn-
ning of all woorkes : and that which in
the beginning of the lyfe shall eyther de-
light the childe, or else vexe him & trou-
ble him, also his strength and weakenes:
and finally, all things that perteine to the
naturall life.

The seconde house is of Taurus, and
is the house of substance, syueng, mi-
nistration, and seruauntes, and betoken-
neth the ende of youth. In the whiche
house if Jupiter and Venus happen to
bee : they will chieslye encrease those
goodes which amongst the lawiers are
called

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called mouables, and also unmouables, as garden, fields, vineyardes, and vere-ly rentes, and whatsocuer doth endure long. Also if any man do hier any bond-screaunc vnder the signe, hee shall bee saythfull in all thinges hee shall be put in trust withall.

The thirde house whych signyfieþ successe by brethren, sisters, kindred, and small iourneis, is attribute unto Gemini. Wherfore if any man haue Aries in the Horoscope, you maye pronounce to him good fortune by his brethren & kin-dred, by great men, and his neighbours.

It is good vnder the signe, to write and sende letters, to take in hande shorȝ journeys, to begyn friendiship or brother-hood, or such like.

The fourth house is called the mansi-on of Parentes, inheritaunce, treasures, and secretes. In this house it is good to contract, buy and sell, and to chang vine-yarde, fieldes, and possessions, to builde houses and engines, to laye foundations, to dig the earth, & to chuse thy sepulchre, for al these things aCcer doth prosperat.

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The fifte house, is the house of chil-
dren, and loue, legacies and giftes, and
of all those thinges which after death doe
pertayne eyther to payne or reproch. It
is expedient therefore vnder this signe
to take in hande all thinges that com-
meth in minde, to cherishe thy selfe, to
banket and make good cheere, to stray
abroade, to enter in couenauntes and
friendship, because of Venus ministring
gladnes. It is good also to put on new
garmentes, to write Epistles, to be me-
rie and playe, and to gette him faychfull
friendes, which may defende him in hys
necessitie and neede.

The sixt is the house of infirmitie and
Sicknesse, sadness, and seruants, the de-
light of Mars, and is imputed vnto Vir-
go. It is not good herein neither to buy
or sell, because of vnsaichfulnes, labour,
and sorrow: and specially by Mercurials
and virgins, whome a man ought to es-
chue. For it heareth against vs false wic-
ches, cheenes, and thoes which shal lye in
wait for our life, menslars, & blud shed-
ders. Also tumultas, seditions, and facto-

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ong, & al these shall happen by the Virginists & Mercurials, because that Mars as is aforesaid doth reioice in these thinges.

The vii. is in Libra, whiche following by and by after the sicknesse, is the house of mariage, and of those thinges which are handled about the middle age, as it were equal in ballance. In this it is good to amend and recouer thinges lost and in desperation: and because it is the house of perfitt enmiche, it is good to haue to doe with thine enemies, to begin warres and debates, and specially for them whiche haue Aries in chascendent.

The viii. mansion is attribute vnto Scorpio, and is the house or portion of death, feare, and inheritance of deade men, and of such things as are done after death. Wherfore take heed that in this signe thou take in hand nothing, neyther enter vpon anye iourney, or commit thy selfe vnto waters, because that herein he shall easily take hurt. Wherfore al bat- tels, contentions, vnjust causes, enmities, and euil women are to be eschued, & spe- cially if they rise by means of inheritance.

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The ix. is in Sagittarius, the house of
faith, religion, long tourneys, wisdom,
Philosophye, Mathematicall sciences,
bookes, epistles, narrations, messages,
Dreames, and rumors, which euery one
haue their proper starre in the firmament
or Heauen. Wherefore the Sunne the
Moone bring in that house, it is good to
take in hande the thinges aforesayde, for
because they shall sooner take effecte at
that time then any other, for it is the ma-
son of perfect friendship.

The x. house is in Capricorne, and is
called the house of Kingdoome, rule and
office, and whatsoever perteyneth to po-
wer. Wherefore, if thou wilt giue forth
any precept or commandement, or bring
any prouince or cittie in subiection, or ac-
taine and get any rich kingdome, or haue
to do with any iudge; or take in hande the
defence of the poore, or haue conference
with great or noble men: all these things
may happily & fortunatly be done the Sun
or Moone being in this house, commonly
callid the house of Capricorne by the re-
guler or der, Aries being in the first house.

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The xi. is referred to Aquarius, and
is the house of prayse, of good Fortune,
the delight of Jupiter, of seruauntes, and
helpers in this mansion. It is good to
set vppon thine enemies, to get friendes,
to prayse them by whom thou lookest for
reward and gaine: and finally to take in
hande all thinges that wee woulde haue
come well to passe.

The moost euill and Pestilent house
in a manier of all, is the xii. house, for it
is the mansion of enemies, Prisons, la-
bours, miseries, enuie, murmurations,
and beastes, and is the ende of lyfe. In
this house let no goodnes bee looked for,
but let him take heed of imprisonment,
or fettters, the which (if bee chounce
to come into this signe)hee shall be hard-
ly deliuered out. And if that Saturne the
Lord of the house, or Mars bee there: it
woorketh death, and all kinde of mis-
cheife. And thus successiuely of all the
other signes.

Hitherto wee haue spoken of the na-
ture and effectes of the signes, in what
thinges they being ascendent, do helpe
and

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and further vs. Nowe wee will call to
minde agayne somewhat whiche was
spoken before concerning the Planets.
about the whiche (as the matter dooth
require) wee will not carry with long
circumstance, according to the Pro-
uerbe, ne mynding to make an Ele-
phant of a flie: or a great matter
of a small.

Saturne Lord of the Birth.

Saturnus where soever hee bee Lord of
Birth, doth drawe the minde of those
which are borne vnder hym, hauing the
bridle at libertie, to bee hie mynded and
stubborne, to malice, and to many mize-
ries and calamities. Nowbeit hee gy-
ueth sayth and wisedome to perswade,
and to discerne what which is iuste and
true in all matters but in his owne, in
the whiche he shal not be so circumspec-
tive. Hee shall trust much unto him selfe and
to his owne witte, a small eater, but a
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large drinker, nor greatly affected
towards his wife and children.

Moreover, her causeth the body to be
leane, colde, and drye, filling it full of e-
uell humors, maketh palenesse, bringeth
sickness soone, and he apeth all diseases
together: as the inflammations of the
Lunges. with a fervent Ague, the drop-
sie, the Gout, the Kings euill, Botches
& Wiles, falling of the haire, and blind-
nesse, falling sickness: and finallye, the
whole Seas and floude of naughtie and
vicious humours. He doth also evit of and
shaken the life, eyther in a moyste place,
drye in a straunge or de sert place, out
of his Matiuue countrey. It is also verye
euill if Mercurie do fall in the house of Sa-
turne, for he maketh an iachanter, a con-
furer, a Southsayer, a truse breaker, &
an enemie of his Parents and Brethren,
and of all other men.

Jupiter Lord of the birth.

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IUpiter doth every where deserve praise
for ther is no point of councell, wylle,
dome, knowledge, eloquence, and beautie,
which hee doth not liberalllye my-
nister and giue: so that if you will des-
cribe anye good mayne, you maye well
faine him to bee a Louial. And brieslye,
if thou vndicte vnto him all vertues &
goodnesse, thou canst not erre. For the
Louialles bee fully replenished with all
those thinges, so much lesse do they lacke
any thing. To what ende shall I neede
to commende and prayse their magnani-
mitie, with their large honours and pro-
motions: when as I saide before, there is
nothinge founde to bee wantinge or lac-
king in them.

Mars Lord of the

Byrth,

COntrariwise, Mars being naturally
euill, doth make them disposed to all
kinde of euill. And as wee saide, there
was nothinge in Iupiter blame worthye:

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So we doe againe pronounce, that ther
is none so greate a mischiefe, but that
the Martialistes dare boldly take in hand:
nor none so soule a cryme, wherewyth
they are not contaminate and defiled.

It is counted an heynous thing amogst
them to be honest and good. And it is
counted a greate vertue to robbe and
steale, to kill, to burne, to lye, to deceiue,
and delude. And to bee short, it is natu-
rall unto them to commit all unlawfull
thinges. And if there be any thing moze
mischieuos then other, they chinke it
lawfull for them to doe it without shame
or punishment.

Venus Lady of the Birth.

The properties of Venus are so well
knowen that I shall not neede to
staunde about it with great circum-
stances: neither do I see why shee shoule
not be ioyned with Jupiter. For unto al y
effects and works, to all the vertues and
sciences, and finally, to al the good things
that Jupiter doth giue: she addeth splen-

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doure and renowme, and also riote, and
specially if Jupiter bee in any friendly as-
pect with her : or that Mercury bee in
coniunction with Saturne and Mars, her
signification is well known.

Mercury Lord of the Byrth.

VNTO some Mercury semeth doubtful,
good with the good, and euill wytch
the euill. Howbeit alone he is very good
in giving the dowries of the witte or dis-
position, in the which hee doth excell Ju-
piter and Venus. As for the sortes and
kindes of sciences and learning, they are
so well knownen, that we shall not neede
to repeate them here againe.

The Sunne with the Lorde of the Byrth,

AL that which is aforesaid of the good
planets, wee woulde also haue it un-
derstood of the Sunne. For he is assured
of a good planet which hath him, I mean
not Lord of the birth : for that hee is ne-
uer. Likewise as the Moone being with
the Lord of the birth seemeth to me to be
(as

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(as it were) meane betwene Mars and Venus, and therfore keepeth as it were a meane in the naturall gifts. But if she happen to come in coniunction with Jupiter, Venus, and Mercury: who wil not iudge that man most happy.

The Moone with the Lord of the Byrh.

The Moone onely for this cause is euill reported, because it doth brede instability & vnstablenes, v which in a man bringeth all kind of mischiefes.

Canons or rules for the creation of the figure of the Heauen.

The same order of the signes is observed herein that is in the artificall, for what signe is ascendent, every planet according to the order, is to be put into euery hause. As if Aries bee the ascendent of the birth: place Aries in the first house, Taurus in the seconde, Gemini in the thirde, and Cancer in the

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fourth. If the Sunne bee in Cancer, thou
shalt place Cancer in the first house, Leo
in the seconde, Virgo in the thirde, Li-
bra in the fourth, Scorpio in the fiftie, Sa-
gittarius in the sixte, Capricorne in the
seuenth, which is opposite to Cancer,
and the other in their order as you well
knowe.

But the Lordshippe and gouernours
of the signes is cleane preposterous and
contrarye to that whiche is alleaged of
Firmicus: for here onely respecte is had
to the Lord of the ascendent, and after
him the other Planettes in eache house
are to bee placed according to their na-
turall order.

And in this onelye it agreeth with the
artificiall, that the Lord of the ascendent
is placed with the ascendent of the other
planets, there is no order but onely the
naturall order. As for example, I desire
to erect a figure of Natiuity, the Sun be-
ing in Aries. I knowe the order of the
houses. I will sette in the fiftie house
Aries, in the seconde Taurus, in the
ynglyght Scorpio, in the nyght Sagittarius,

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in the x. Capricorne, in the xi. Aquarius,
in the xii. Pisces. And the signes beeing
thus sette, is almost the whole order of
them which iudge by the Horoscope.

Nowe followeth the order of the Plan-
nettis. First of all I appoynte to the
Lordship of Aries, Mars; for he is Lord
of the signe, to the secoud house I ascribe
the Sunne, to the thirde Venus, to the
fourth Mercurye, to the fiftethe Moone,
to the sixt Saturne, to the seauenth Ju-
piter, to the eight Mars, to the nynty the
Sunne, to the tenth Venus, to the eleuenth
Mercury, to the xii. the Moone.

Thus you see the Lord of the ascen-
dent onely, except all other Planettis,
to bee placed according to their naturall
order. I would not that any man shoule
understande mee herein, that when I
speake of the ascendent, that I meane
the ascendent of the houre or Horoscope:
but of the signe in the which the Sunne is
at that time.

Likewise, in the seconde resolution;
thou shalt set Saturne in the firste house,
and shalbe the Lord of life at the age of

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xxxiii. yeres. In the second house Inpicer,
and according to his nature iudge the
substaunce of the childe. To the thirde
houise adde Mars, and by him iudge con-
cerning hys chilen and kindz d. and shoule
journeis. To the fourthe houise, the Sunne
and according to hys nature, have res-
pect to the Parentes and inheritance
at xvi. yeres of age. And by this example
you maye rase to aby man a like revo-
lution, and perceiue ther by what shall
happen yearely. For this houise doth not
signifie that shoule revolution wherein
the Sunne is euery two hours; but a vere-
ly revolution. Whereto we haue ad-
ded a revolution, arraching to 84. yeres,
according to the ascendent in Aries: but
if that any other signe be ascendent, you
must forme an other revolution, but ac-
cording to this tyme or rule. If thou wile
iudge of children, looke to the first house.
For sicknes, small beasts, or seruaunts;
behold the sixt house. For mariages and
open enemies, the seuenth house. For
death and inheritance by dead men, and
such kindz of things: giue iudgement by
the

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the eight house, and so likewise of all the other houses. Neither do I vnderstande and perceiue what either ought or can be further spoken or said herin. The summe of this art is to knowe the natures of the signes and planets, and then to erect a figure, and to exercise that which you haue read. Proue it who will, and he shal see it not only to agree with the artificiall: but also for to excell it, as well for the easynes as also for the certainty of the same.

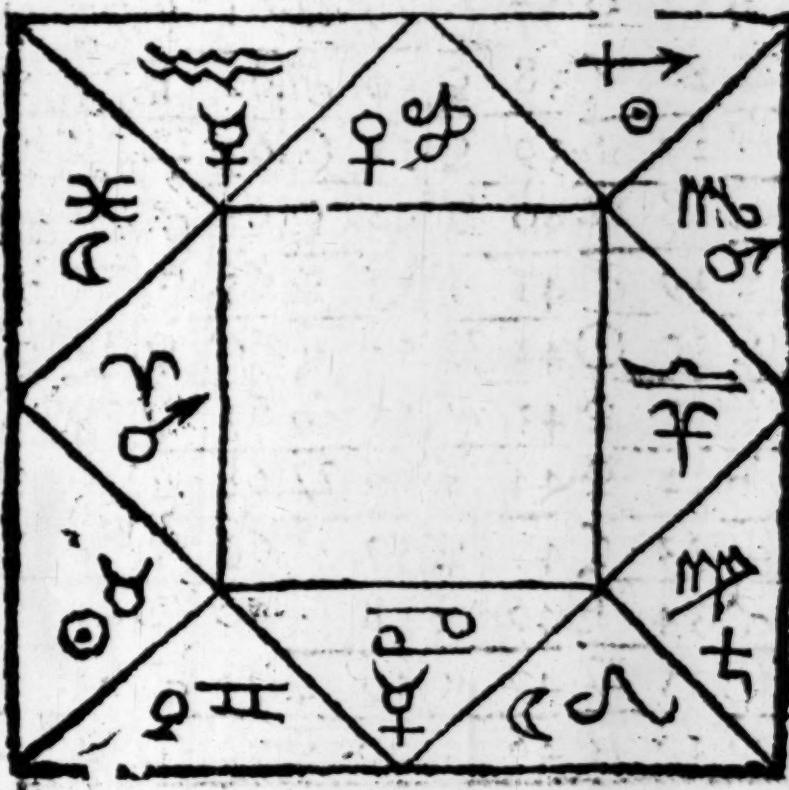
Thou seest (as wee sayde before in our preface, and now againe without shame) that there is nothing so much to be taken heed of, as a few things which are take out of the artificiall. Neither is vnkno- wen that Liechtenbergius the best lerned of his time in naturall Mathematical sci- ences, by this only Art to haue made all the Astronomers astonied, and to haue wrought strange thinges. Wherefore it should seeme very euill, if that we shoud suffer the learning and cunning of such a man to be obscured & kept close, for these our doings we haue drawen out of hym. Wherefore we are the lesse to be blamed

The third booke of

if that we haue not satisfied euery mans
mind: except you will count it fault wro^e
tē, that wee haue expounded and settē
out other mens good workes, vnto the
posturie, and preferre them before oure
owne. The whiche thing if it bee calpa-
ble, who is then without shame or re-
proche, euen they which are counted
best learned in this time and season. We
haue added hereunto a figure of the
revolution: hee that will know
other revolutions, let him
reade the tables fol-
lowing.

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A figure of the Reuolution of the
Signes and Plannettes according too
Naturall Astrologie, whose ascendent
is V , and the Lorde of the
same σ .



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 A continuation or prolonging of the
 figure aforesaide, from the firste
 yere of the Horoscope in V,
 vnto the end of 84.yeres.

V ♂	13	h 25	♀ 37	○ 49	77	61	☾ 73	♀
8 ○	14	77	26	☾ 38	♀	50 ♂	62 h	74 ♀
II ♀	15 ♂	27	h 39	♀	51 ○	63 77	75 ☽	
9 ♀	16 ○	28	77 40	☽	52 ♀	64 ♂	76 h	
8 ☽	17 ♀	29	♂ 41	h	53 ♀	65 ○	77 77	
III h	18 ♀	30	○ 42	77	54 ☽	66 ♀	78 ♂	
II 7	19 ☽	31	♀ 43	♂	55 h	67 ♀	79 ○	
III ♂	20 h	32	♀ 44	○	56 77	68 ☽	30 ♀	
IV ○	21 77	33	☽ 45	♀	57 ♂	69 h	81 ♀	
IV ♀	22 ♂	34	h 46	♀	58 ○	70 77	82 ☽	
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